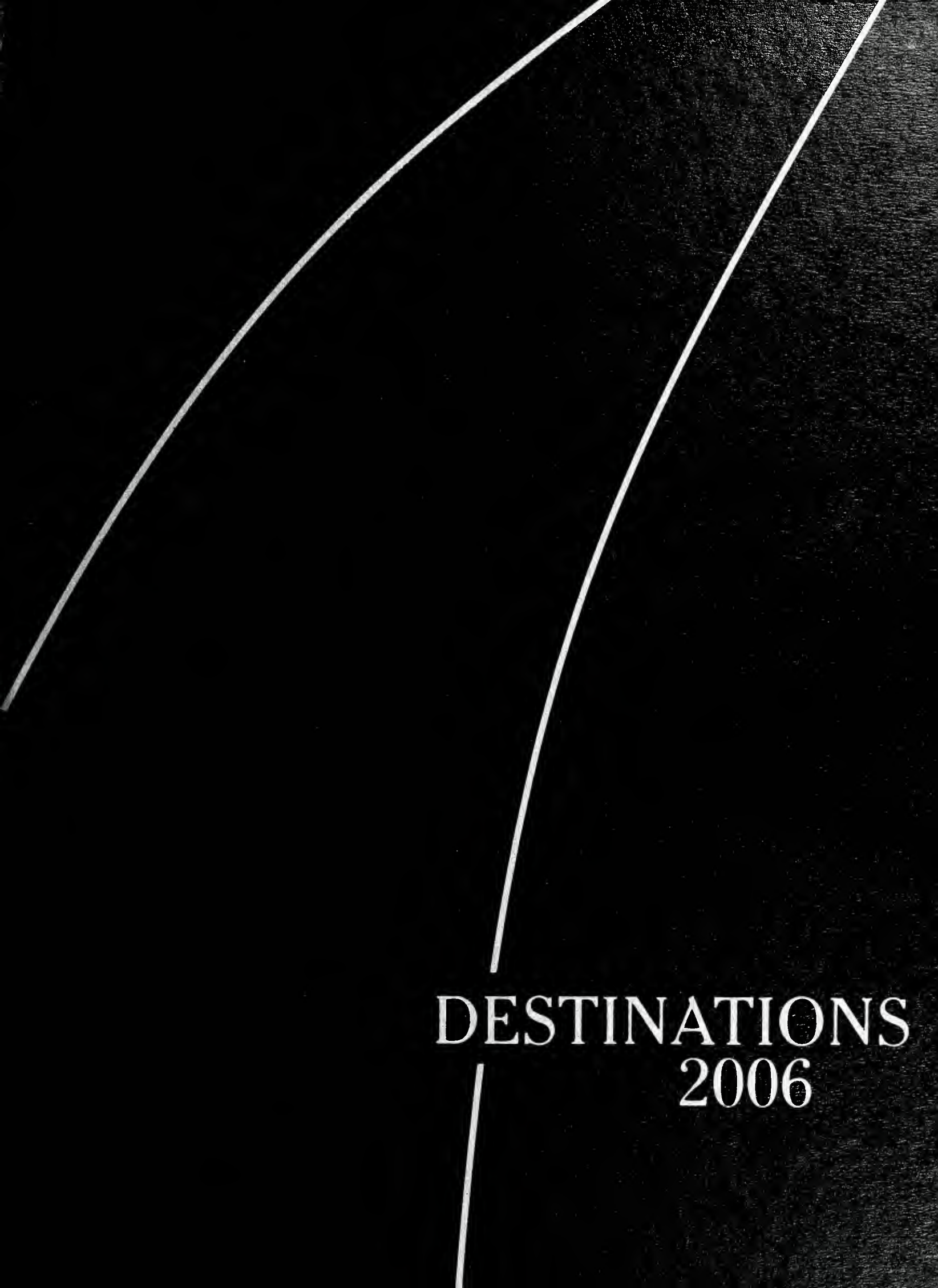

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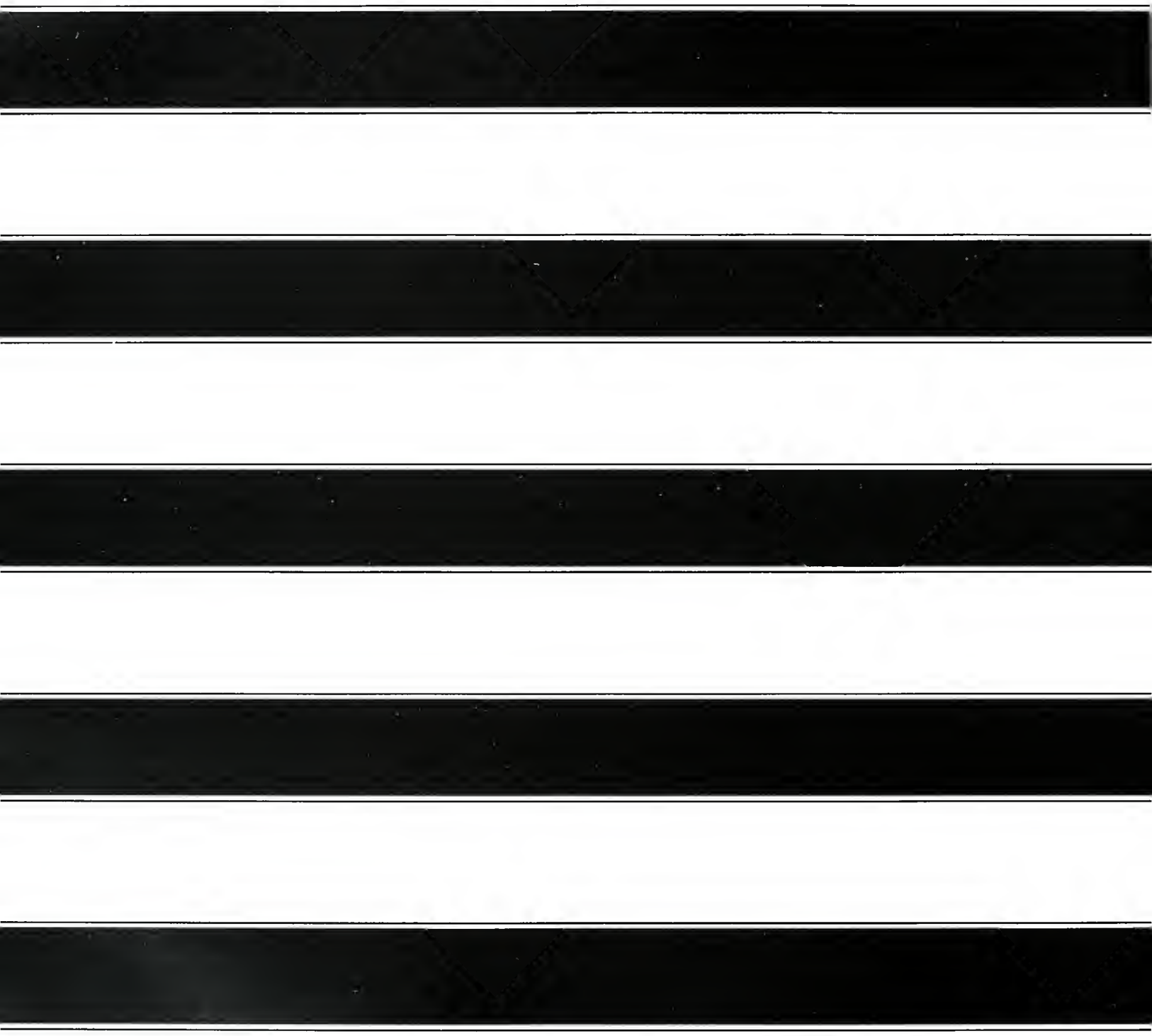


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Throughout our lives, we are all headed somewhere. Each one of us has a different destination than the other. There are those who are headed to Taylor in the fall for the first time, wondering what the next four years will bring. Others are preparing for classes they are intimidated by or have waited anxiously to take. Still others are getting ready for trips all over the world. The seniors who graduated are headed off to the next part of their lives . . . new and exciting jobs and opportunities. But the question is how did we all get to where we are going? Well, everyone has a story to tell – stories of triumphs and of failures, stories of highlights and of low points. These stories connect us all together and define where we are headed because they tell us from whence we have come. They give direction to our many life destinations.

So here is a collection of our stories throughout this year. Read and remember; allow them to remind you why you are on the path to your next destination.

– Jessica Degenhardt





Junior David Phillips contemplates his time at Taylor as he takes a break from summer school.

HEADLINERS

Fall of 2005 commenced with the usual excitement of reuniting with old friends, meeting the nervous freshman, and feeling a part of the fellowship that so perceptibly characterizes the Taylor campus. This year, however, God took the Taylor family down a path never anticipated. Through the joys and sorrows of this year, as a family we learned of God's faithfulness in carrying us to our destinations when we can no longer stand on our own.



The buzz on campus at the beginning of the year was particularly noticeable, elicited by curiosity about the new president as well as chatter about the freshmen in Ireland. President Habecker left his most recent position at the American Bible Society to return with his wife, MaryLou, to a place that already was steeped in memory and familiarity; the Habeckers had both graduated from Taylor. Gene and MaryLou added fuel to the excitement of the fervent students with their energy and passion for the institution. In chapels the president consistently expressed a desire to see students be used by God now, rather than waiting for the next step in life. His dynamism, vision, and leadership revealed him as a strong element for Taylor's future.

Furthermore, the Habeckers displayed incredible hospitality. The expressed a desire to host 1,000 students in their home this year, and were frequently opening their doors to visitors. A small group of freshmen experienced this before the start of the year. These freshmen would be the first class ever to spend their first semester of Taylor abroad in Ireland. Before they departed, they met with president, took a few tests, and became acquainted with the people they would spend the next semester with. Administration took a bold step in this endeavor, and it has clearly been a success. First time students



These freshman have had many new experiences this year, including being the first group of freshman to spend their first semester of college studing in Ireland.
Photo submitted by Scott Moeschberger



As an introduction to the community, President Habecker and his first lady, Marylou, ride in the back of a horse drawn carriage in the Labor Day parade. This was the Habeckers' first "public appearance" as president and first lady in the Upland community.
Photo by Amy Wood

traveled to Ireland, became acquainted with the culture, and experienced college in a foreign setting.

In late August, however, the student body sorrowfully learned of the greatest North American natural disaster of their lifetimes. Hurricane Katrina had swept the southeastern states, killing more than 2100, displacing more, and destroying entire cities. Students responded with a strong desire to assist the hurting people. They took collections, drove down to help, and supported their fellow citizens by lifting them up in prayer. When fall break rolled around, a time when students typically went home to recuperate before returning to the fanatical schedule, students opted to give a hand instead. Two hundred students, faculty and staff boarded vans and buses and caravanned down to Pascagoula, Mississippi, to work with Bethel Assembly of God. Astonished by the wreckage and fueled by a desire to demonstrate Christ to the hurting people, students put in 3200 hours of labor, worked on 35 homes, and held a kids' program in the evenings.

Taylor students have characteristically demonstrated compassion for the world and the hurting. The first annual Acting on AIDS seminar was hosted at Taylor February 2, 2006. Acting on AIDS partnered with WorldVision in effort to increase awareness of AIDS and provide practical ways to contribute to the fight against its spread. More than 400 student leaders attended the conference.

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Junior Laura Knosp and senior Andrew Miles acted as our Acting on Aids co-directors this year. During the Acting on Aids conference, they shared their passion with others.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Taylor students went to Mississippi on to help with the Katrina recovery effort.
Photo submitted by Taylor World Outreach

Every year students demonstrate their desire for change by participating in clubs on campus or taking advantage of the many missions opportunities offered during January term and spring break. In January administrators traveled with two Lighthouse teams to Ecuador to consider making the country the next opportunity for Habecker's vision for centers for global engagement. As a result, a group of students is returning this summer to further their Spanish skills, and the university is moving ahead with plans to work with the people in Ecuador.

But some of the events of the year have cast a shadow on joyful times. On April 24, senior Melissa Munn was taken to a hospital in Fort Wayne with blood clots in her lungs. Lingering on the brink of death, she underwent open heart surgery on April 28. The community held special prayer vigils, and students traveled back and forth from Fort Wayne to visit Melissa and her family. Through God's miraculous power, Melissa was released from the hospital May 9 and walked at graduation on May 20.

As the Taylor community was praying for Melissa, news of further tragedy came on April 26. At 11 p.m. students gathered in the Rediger Auditorium to hear of a fatal accident on Interstate 69. They sat quietly in the packed room, read scripture, prayed, and sang hymns. At approximately 1:30 a.m. Thursday, the names of the deceased were released. Students Laurel Erb, Bradley Larson and Betsy Smith and Laura VanRyn and Creative Dining Services employee Monica Felver had died at the scene. Employees Connie Magers, Vickie Rhodes, Michelle Miller, and freshman Whitney Cerak were taken to the hospital. Whitney and Michelle were lifelined to Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. This news came as an overwhelming shock to the Taylor family, but we came together in a beautiful display of Christian unity and attempted to make sense of it all. While this was difficult, certain truths were undeniable: God is good; God is loving; God is in control.

Before the accident, TSO staff had worked hard to ensure that the student body felt very much a part of the inauguration of President





Despite three recent open heart surgeries, senior Melissa Munn was able to graduate with the rest of her class.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Chris Bennett, Skip Trudeau, Dan Treber, and Jenny Collins traveled to Ecuador in preparation for the launch of the next Center for Global Engagement.
Photo by John Moore

Habecker on April 28. This desire, assisted by the recent events, caused the inauguration to be another chance for the community to come together. Students mourned while they celebrated life and considered its purpose. The inauguration moved forward with a different focus. Students and faculty carried carnations in memory of lives lost. President Habecker, inaugurated as the 30th president of Taylor University, sought to reconcile the loss with a celebration of life and community. His address to the community was an encouraging reminder to be grateful for the present and hopeful for the future. He not only memorialzed the students, but he looked forward to his vision for the university for the year 2016. The inauguration ceremony was sober and full of reflection.

In an unprecendented fashion, classes were cancelled for two days after the accident. The following week, many students were absent from classes to attend the funerals. Academic affairs asked faculty to be compassionate and liberal in their absence policy. For the rest of the semester, students were more reflective and thoughtful about not only their future but their purpose in life.

2005-2006 has not been an easy year. But through the joys and pain, God has not changed. We all learned what it is like to bear one another's burdens, to mourn together, and to serve others in love. While it is difficult to see where these events are taking us, it is comforting to look back and see that we have walked with confidence thus far, knowing that God is our guide. Assured of our final destination, we will continue that walk together.

Beth Westra



During the celebration of his inauguration, Dr. Habecker presents Mrs. Bonnie Odle with a placquard signifying the rededication of the Odle Gymnasium.
Photo by Jim Garringer



Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Every generation of Taylor students has its own stories to tell. These stories shape us and lead us into the next chapter.

WELCOME WEEKEND



Freshmen gather with their O Group leader, sophomore Amy Handy, as they kick off a weekend full of fun "get to know you" activities.
Photo by Amy Wood



Junior Noel Birkey and other upperclassmen are eager to join the Welcome Weekend festivities, including the much anticipated square dance.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Sarah Froggatt flashes a big smile while she claps along to the beat with freshman Becca Terhune.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Welcome Weekend was a blast! The weekend brought together incoming freshmen, helping them to connect with one another by striving toward common goals and laughing through the initial insecurities of college life. My Orientation group got to know one other, had fun, and became comfortable through all the games and activities.

For me, the highlight of the weekend was the Saturday games. Despite our group having no clue what we were doing, we grew closer together as we approached obstacles in the games. The best activity of the day was trying to get our entire group to fit on a small platform by swinging to it using a rope. As more and more people swung across, the platform quickly became crowded. It was not long before the shaking of laughter rippled through our huddled group, threatening to make us all fall over. We managed to get 12 people clinging together on the platform, until the 13th person careened into us, sending us sprawling.

Welcome Weekend helped each student feel like he or she belonged. Despite the timidity connected with the first day of college and the fact of being away from one's family, the weekend drew everyone together in a sense of community.

Laura Rizzo



"The hoe down was a great first experience at Taylor. My little red hat and I soared to the top of the best dressed contest to create an unforgettable memory."
-Jeff Goodman



Senior Natalie Irwin shows freshman Jordan Leick how it's done as they enjoy the annual Hoe Down.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshmen Molly Yentes and Alyse Robertson give the classic team building exercise, the trust fall, a try with their O Groups during Welcome Weekend Games.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Veronika Vlasov shows off her effort to be the best dressed cowgirl during a break from all the square dancing.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Brandon Levan swings through the air in a team building exercise with the rest of his group as they get to know each other.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

COMMUNITY PLUNGE



Freshman Jeremy Erickson stains away during his Community Plunge project at the old Upland train depot.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Erin Hinnen sorts food items at the Helping Hand food bank in Upland.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

I'm the type of person that tries to avoid manual labor as much as possible. It is not that I am a bad person, just a lazy one. I was dreading Community Plunge day for my mandatory community service for New Student Orientation, and I was worried I would get a project that would be difficult. So, I was mildly excited when I heard that I would be painting at Upland Community Church for my Community Plunge project.

Painting fits into a category of things that I can do without breaking a sweat, so it sounded like a good deal to me. Little did I know that painting was only part one of the project. Part two? Shoveling gravel.

So there I was, working in the oppressive sun, moving a big pile of rocks from point A to point B. In short, it was manual labor. I was angry, frustrated, and sweating, but then I finally realized something. It was not about me. It had never been about me.

I had been so focused on avoiding a situation that would make me uncomfortable that I forgot that the purpose of the project was to serve others however they needed it. Community Plunge is not an event designed for self-gratification; it is a day designed to bring the love of Christ into the area surrounding Taylor University.

If it took a day of painting and moving a big pile of rocks to remind me of that fact, then it was most definitely worth it.

Andrew Neel



Sophomore David Foley laughs with freshman Alex Esclamado as they join in on the day's service activities.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Freshman Luke Harty takes the plunge as he helps out by sweeping up his assigned work project during Community Plunge.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

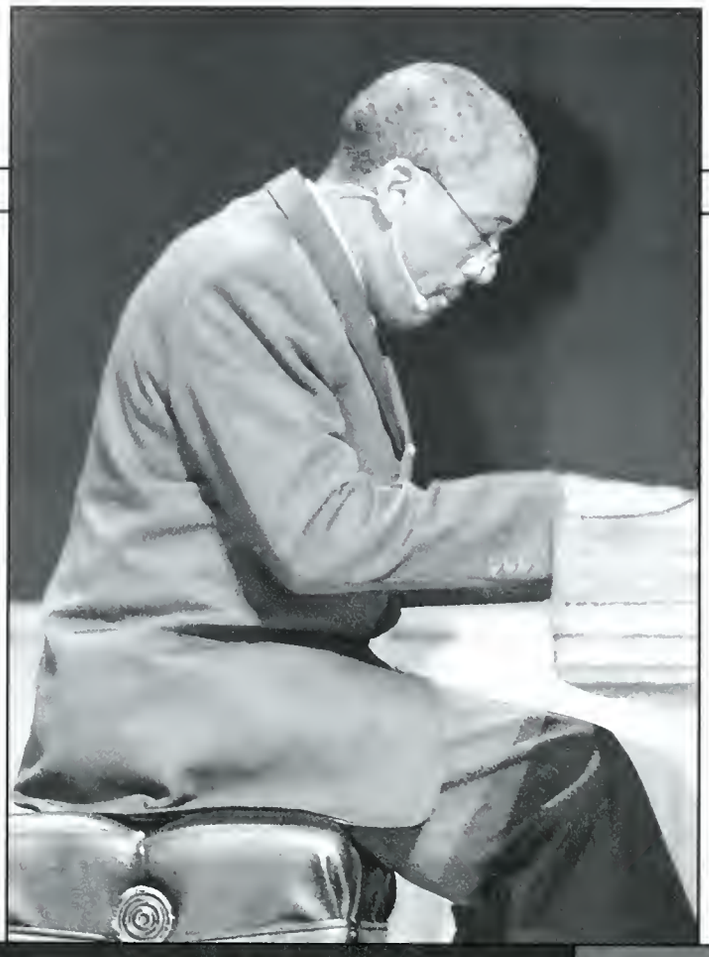


Freshman Elizabeth Egan gets down and dirty pulling weeds to give the Upland Train Depot a fresh look.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



"During Community Plunge, I began to realize how grateful I was to be at an intentional Christian college where my classmates would joyfully serve the community and encourage one another."

-Ashley Rubenstein

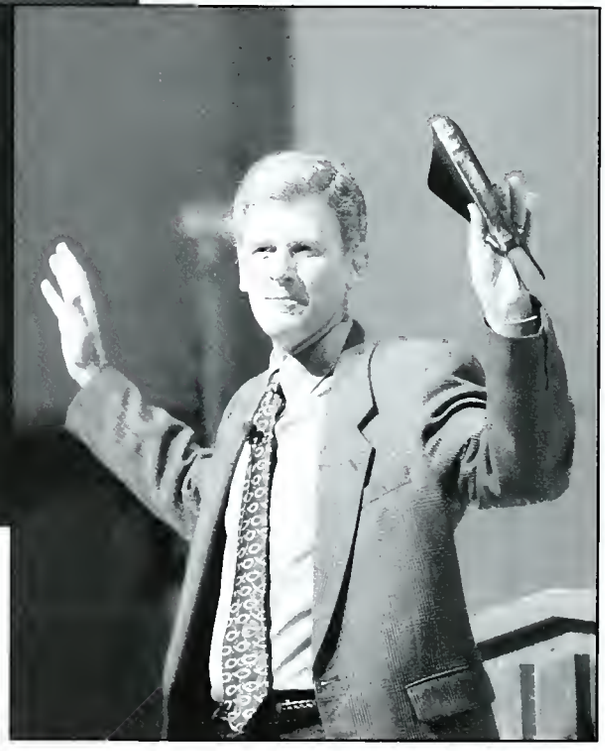


Dr. Farmer worships through his skilled piano playing, as students clap and sing along.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Dr. Chapell commands respect for the Word of God as he delivers his message in the spring Spiritual Renewal chapel.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



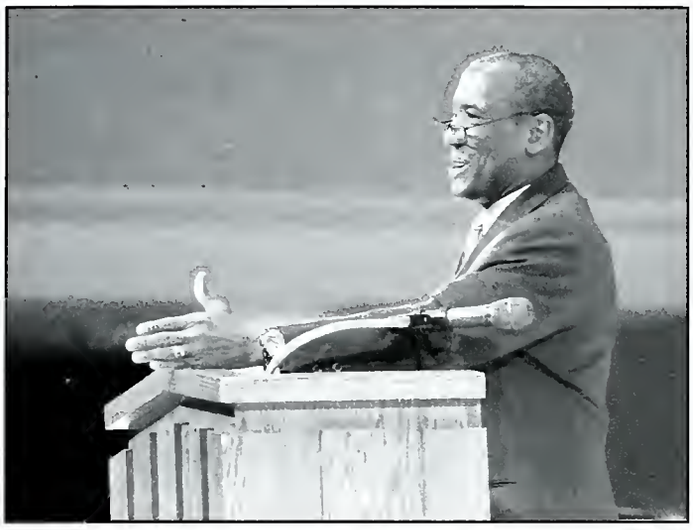
Discipleship Coordinators from each residence hall gather around Dr. Chapell in prayer before he speaks.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



"After I spent only a few minutes with Dr. Chapell, he knew my name and was intentional about saying hello to me every time he saw me. The time he spent with here proved that he has a heart for people and for communicating Scripture clearly and accurately. "

-Corrie Chase

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL



Dr. Richard Allen Farmer exudes joy as he brings a refreshing message to the students for Spiritual Renewal in the fall.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Dr. Bryan Chapell holds the attention of students with his energy and enthusiasm.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

I anxiously anticipate Spiritual Renewal Week. Sitting with my wing, laughing as we walk over to chapel, and discussing the messages on the way back are some of my best Taylor memories.

In the fall, former campus pastor Richard Allen Farmer came to campus with music, laughter and a deep reverence for Scripture.

In the spring, Dr. Bryan Chapell, President of Covenant Theological Seminary spoke on a series of messages entitled, "Preaching the Gospel to Our Own Heart."

Chapell and Farmer came to Taylor not just as award winning authors, but as men ready to be transparent and sincere. They definitely revealed new thoughts about God to me.

I love the way Taylor sets aside a week at the beginning of each semester where I can learn alongside my classmates about Christ and grow deeper in my love for him through new truths imparted to me by a great speaker. I'm always amazed by the number of students who come to the evening sessions of their own accord, desiring to build a deeper and closer walk with Christ.

I remember one night in particular where Dr. Farmer showed off his amazing piano skills! He talked about how he played by touch and ear and he offered for people to stand on the stage and look over his shoulder and learn. It was a priceless moment watching dozens of music students crowd around the piano while Dr. Farmer played with so much feeling that the piano actually shook.

Afterwards I interviewed Dr. Farmer for The Echo, and he said something that really made me think: "Pursue excellence in whatever you've given yourself to. Don't be mediocre. Give the best to God of what you're able to. Papa God is always honored by my commitment to excellence; he is never honored by a commitment to mediocrity." I will never forget those wise words.

Christianna Luy

AIRBAND



Senior Thad Fennig leads this combination act between Third East Wengatz and Third East Olson in their Beach Boys medley.
Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Alyssa Lin gives her all in the seniors' performance of a Disney Medley.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



A group effort by Third English and Foundation thrilled the crowd with the well known Michael Jackson song, "Thriller."
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

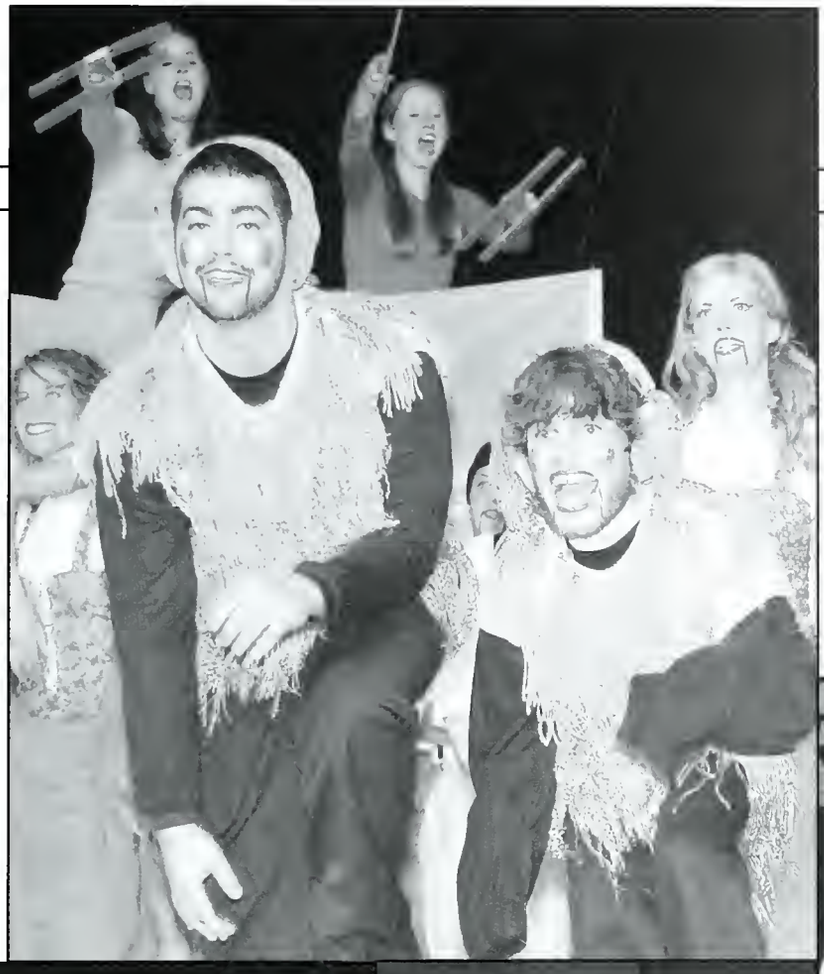
It is the second week of school and sometime during your floor meeting, you hear it mentioned; one word that for some can ignite passion and for others, dread; a word, that signifies a loss of sleep and the emptying of pockets; a word thus far excluded from every published dictionary. Airband. You can feel the excitement ripple through the air and the general buzz begins. What song should we use? Should we combine with another floor? Where will we get our costumes? Who is going to make up the dance? Wait, we can dance? Oh yes, it's choreographed. As a freshman, you had no idea what the big deal was. Now you just hope they don't ask you to be in charge.

One by one you begin to clear your schedules, waiting with bated breath for the day of auditions. The days continue on and soon enough, practices begin. In the parking lot, behind the dorm, in the lounge, upstairs in Rupp, downstairs in Rupp, or in that specially reserved basketball court in KSAC. The beloved song you chose, after hours of debate, has now become the background music to your life, like the old record player in kindergarten that kept getting stuck on the same song. It is beautiful and soothing and if you hear it play one more time you are going to go crazy.

Fast-forward with me for a moment. Auditions are over. The Airband cabinet has announced its pick and you are all required to spend the next three nights in Rediger Auditorium, moving from one side of the building to the next, trying to figure out how to shove your over-sized props through the double doors without ripping out the ceiling. However, the biggest question on your mind is if practice will be over in time to watch the OC. Not likely, but if we do it right, this one last time, we are likely to get out before the kids camping outside finish their movie.

Two hours before your group is supposed to rendezvous out at the tennis courts you are frantically caking your face with make-up to counter the extremely bright lights that make you look like Casper's cousin. The excitement is building. Before you know it you are passing through the stage doors. The lights are out. The crowd is screaming. A familiar song is playing and suddenly your adrenaline kicks in. Before you know it you are back outside breathing a sigh of relief and jumping around with exhilaration. You don't care if you won or lost. It was the best time of your life. You remember saying weeks ago you would never do Airband again. Yeah right; it's worth it.

Katie-Lee Barrow



Sophomores Jon Harrison and Mikey Skoglund give their best as all three floors of Gerig collaborated to bring The Sound of Music to our ears. Their puppet and puppeteer routine to "The Lonely Goat" won this group a first place among all the other acts.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



You can tell by the smile on junior Emily Wallace's face that she and junior Ashley Donnell had a great time performing "New York" by Kiss, along with the rest of Second East Olson.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



The Relient K tune, "The Pirates Who Don't Do Anything," was brought to life in an exuberant performance by the ladies of First West Olson.
Photo by Amy Wood



Junior Brent Maher really got himself into character in his act from Aladdin, with Second East Wengatz.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"Airband conjures up many words in my mind, but after this year, one word will forever be etched in my memory... puppets! I don't think I will ever forget the day we performed "The Lonely Goat"... it was a blast!"

-Elizabeth Davies



Photo by Amy Wood

HOMECOMING



The Trojan linemen prepare for action against Urbana. The Trojans lost in a nail biter, 17-30.
Photo by Amy Wood



Brother floor Third East Wengatz and sister floor Third East Olson walk together in the parade, sporting their matching jackets with the traditional 3EW logo.
Photo by Amy Wood

As co-directors of Homecoming 2005, we had the privilege of planning events for both current students and alumni of Taylor.

We welcomed home Dr. Eugene and Mary Lou Habecker with festivities throughout the weekend. A special Homecoming concert on Friday night was presented in their honor to a sold-out crowd.

A favorite event of ours was the 5K race. Participants included current and former students, their spouses, children, and even pets. This event stood out to us because it was a chance to meet and interact with alumni on a personal level.

Following the 5K, the brunch for alumni was held at the Dining Commons. This gathering provides an opportunity to recognize distinguished alum. This brunch is loved not only for the good food, but the fellowship with fellow classmates.

For the first time in many years, Taylor brought back the tradition of a Homecoming Parade. It involved all parts of the Taylor community. Entries included athletic teams, residence halls, and various campus organizations. A radio station from Muncie, WLBC 104.1, made a live broadcast from campus.

As seniors, we look forward to returning to Taylor as alumni and taking part in Homecoming festivities.

Brittany Slagle and Sarah Haney



Junior Brian Getz rides his unicycle and hands out candy as the others carry a banner. They all sport custom made TU balloon hats made by Brian.
Photo by Amy Wood



A Trojan ball carrier is upended by an Urbana linebacker after gaining several tough yards on the ground.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Dr. Joann Rediger directs the Taylor Chorale as they sing for the Alumni and their families.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Runners sprint to the finish line of the annual 5K run during homecoming festivities. All are invited to run.
Photo by DJ Horton

"There were about 30 of us walking together; 15 from Third East Olson and 15 from Third East Wengatz in matching green zip-ups. We packed the car full of people, turned up the radio, grabbed tons of candy and ran around the loop behind the car tossing candy to kids and alumni. The parade was great!"

-Jonathan Chacko

PARENTS WEEKEND AND GRANDPARENTS DAY

This year my dad was the only one from my family who was able to attend our Parents Weekend while my mom attended Parents Weekend at Wheaton College with my twin sister that same weekend. Nevertheless, my dad and I were entertained enough that we managed without them. Dad's favorite activity was the TU orchestra concert on Friday night. That is the only time he has heard me perform here at Taylor, so he was delighted.

My dad also enjoyed visiting the Edwin W. Brown Collection in Zondervan Library. Since he had just eaten a meal the week prior at the original "Eagle and Child" in Oxford, England, he enjoyed seeing the replica. It was also very meaningful for us to tour the artifacts related to The Chronicles of Narnia, a favorite bedtime story Dad read to us.

Of course, we had to make a stop at Ivanhoe's. I made sure that my dad ordered my favorite "Trojan Three" shake, consisting of Reese's in a chocolate shake with cookie dough ice cream on top, and we enjoyed a lunch there as well. We also visited some of my professors at the open house at the Kesler Center.

Another thing both Dad and I enjoyed was the breakfast Swallow Robin Hall put on for all the families visiting the dorm. We loved meeting the families of my friends. He also liked meeting all of my friends and seeing where I eat, work, study, and hang out. He still proudly remembers all the friends I talk about that my mom and sister didn't get to meet.

Overall, Dad and I had a great time at Parents Weekend. There were so many things we did and even more that we didn't have time to do. It was a wonderful time for my dad to see what Taylor was all about and to see me in my surroundings.

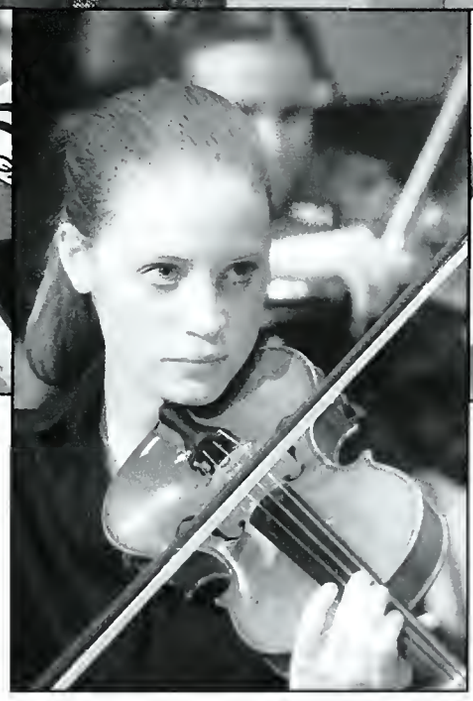
Katie Crystal



Sophomore Teal Justice says hi to friends as she walks arm in arm with her mother on her way to chapel during Parents' Weekend
Photo by Jim Garringer



Also part of the Parents Weekend Festivities was a football game against the Geneva College Golden Tornadoes. Unfortunately, our Trojans lost to the Tornadoes, 0-42.
Photo by Jim Garringer



Parents were able to come to an orchestra concert with their students on Friday Night of Parents Weekend. Junior Jennifer Miller concentrates on the director to do her part in giving parents a great musical performance.
Photo by Jim Garringer



Sophomore Nate Baggett and his mother talk with one of the communication professors, Linda Deneau-Manganello, during the planned activities of Parents Weekend.
Photo by Jim Garringer

"My grandparents and I all enjoyed Grandparents Day. There was a good balance of activities to keep us busy, such as an amazing concert put on by the Chorale and the Taylor Sounds, and time to just sit around and relax. It was just a really good experience, and I look forward to next year's.

-Julia Hess

WOW

As soon as we were hired as World Opportunity Week co-directors, Kari Barrows and I discovered that we weren't going to get to choose the keynote speaker for WOW next year. Not only had Marilyn Laszlo, our speaker, been booked for us five years ago, but she was a woman in her late sixties. Kari and I wondered just how a single, grandmotherly, former missionary could possibly impact Taylor students. Of course, we did our duty as all good co-directors should, by reading her books and learning how Marilyn lived with and worked with the Sepik Iwam tribe, a jungle-dwelling, prehistoric tribe who had never previously heard the Gospel. Ok, good story. But will she be able to connect with our cynical, image- and stimulation- requiring peers?
Well, that's what we prayed for. As a WOW cabinet of about 30 students, we had been planning and praying for WOW for months in preparation for God's movement on our campus. We desperately wanted more people on our campus to see where they too could fit into God's plan to advance His kingdom throughout the nations. We often prayed in our meetings for the Lord to break down the barriers that keep students from considering their roles in cross-cultural missions.

As WOW approached, anxiety continued to grow in us as we still hadn't been able to get ahold of Marilyn to find out what she was planning to speak about. We found out at the last minute that she was going to get to campus the same morning she was to speak for the first time. With doubts and worries gripping us, we hoped that she would show up on time to chapel; and she did...wearing a windsuit and tennis shoes, with only 30 minutes to spare. Exhale.

Even after hearing her speak for the first time, I still wasn't sold. She was funny and had great stories, but was she connecting with the students? After her chapel session we had lunch with her and quickly realized she was quite the firebrand. Marilyn didn't tolerate small talk or put up with flattering allusions to her books. Conversation was limited, as mutual interests seemed lacking. "So, Marilyn, about that time when you got chronic dystentery in the jungle..."

As the week went on, I kept hearing (almost to my surprise) students all around me praising Marilyn. And after I had allowed myself to relax enough to listen and enjoy what she had to say, I began to grasp the immensity of this woman's love for God's word. She had learned the Sepik Iwm tribe's language and taught them how to read, then translated the Bible into their language, and taught them God's Word. You could see in her eyes how dearly she clung to the Word of God. She knew that this precious culture would only be preserved through the power of the Lord through His Word.

As Marilyn concluded her final chapel message, tears filled our eyes as she told of the transforming power of the Bible in the native language of the Sepik Iwam. A once violent, animistic tribe had become a people worshipping the Name above all others. As Marilyn received a standing ovation from the Taylor community, we were overcome by the Lord's faithfulness, to the Sepik Iwam, to Marilyn all those years in the jungle, and to Taylor. Marilyn reminded us of the beautiful challenge and adventure we have before us. It is almost too incredible to grasp. We are His instruments to reconcile people to Himself.

Ashley Gale



Speaker Marilyn Laszlo challenges students with stories of her years spent ministering to the Sepik Iwam tribe.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



WOW Co-directors Ashley Gale and Kari Barrows introduce this year's speaker, Marilyn Laszlo.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



This year's theme for World Opportunities Week was BEAUTIFUL, accompanied by this footprint logo designed by senior cabinet member, Aaron Leu.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

MY GENERATION NIGHT



Senior Eric Miller and freshman Blake Stratton put their heart and soul into their act, playing "Everything's Not Lost" by Coldplay.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Ben Taylor wails on his guitar during his band's performance of "Two Princes" by the Spin Doctors.
Photo by Amy Wood



Freshman Will Casey and sophomore Luke Owsley help to provide the appropriate backdrop for senior Audra Stratton as she sings "Beauty and the Mess" by Nickle Creek.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

The crowd began gathering around 7 o'clock. It was exciting to look out through the chapel glass and see people anxiously waiting to hear their friends perform. As the doors opened you could hear the rush of people fill the auditorium from our perched perspective in the balcony. As they took their seats, the lights went dark and the show began.

Everyone who attends My Generation Night sees and experiences what happens on stage, yet being a part of the show added a whole new perspective that the general audience never gets. There is so much that goes on during as well as in preparation to the show that makes it that much better. From auditions to decorating, production to rehearsals, SAC and everyone involved form a special bond for the week that is hard to describe. I think that the week of rehearsals and getting to know everyone from the participants to the members of SAC may be right up there with the same moment that the lights come up and you are standing on stage. Speaking of...back to the story...

The view from the balcony was amazing because not only could you see the performer's reactions before and after their acts, but you could also see the audience's response, which added a dimension to the experience that is quite indescribable.

The anticipation is the best feeling. Knowing that in a few moments it will be you on stage is like waiting in line for a roller coaster. You are excited because you know that it will be fun, yet there is that slight nervousness that starts at the bottom of your stomach and slowly rises to your mouth that causes you to worry if your voice might squeak into the microphone if you are not careful.

Time is up. Get on stage. The lights go up and the song begins. All the nervousness fades and you become overwhelmed by the inner Mick Jagger that makes your legs dance in a way that would never be accepted in a normal setting. A few minutes later you awake to the sound of applause and realize that it is all over. The hard work, the practice, the nervousness-all gone in about 3 minutes; but that's ok. It was all worth it.

Zack Barker



Freshman Luke Harty takes ownership of the stage as front man to a group of 11 musicians, and over a dozen choir members, get the audience excited with "Light & Day", an energetic song by The Polyphonic Spree.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Zack Barker gives his last My Generation Night performance, singing "Bright Lights" by Matchbox 20.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Kacia Hillesland braves the stage for her solo, a song called "Angel" by Sarah McLachlan.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomores Eric Morse and Brandon Halberstadt are joined by junior Blake Sampson as they give their "Tribute" by Tenacious D.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"One moment I was your average music major, singing Mozart and preparing for my recital. The next moment I was an angsty rock star with hair in my eyes and a story to tell the world. In other words ... I had a blast!"

-Megan VanDam



Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

SILENT NIGHT



Junior Joel Mostad cries out to the players as sophomore David Swinburne also gets emotional.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Wengatz gets excited, chanting and cheering on our Trojans.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Brad Wood and fellow member of the pep band freshman David Kasper play to encourage the players and enthuse the crowd.
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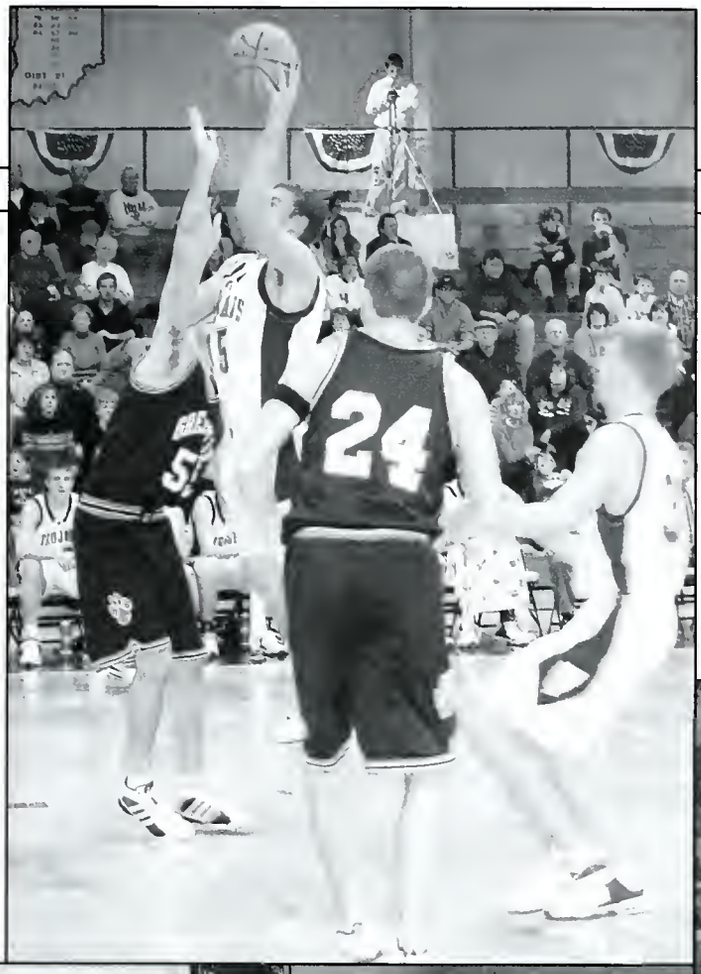
Silent Night. As a freshman on the basketball team, I had heard very little about it before that night. From what I could gather, "Silent Night" is a tradition that takes place every year at a basketball game in December. Apparently, a lot of people show up for the game, staying really quiet until we score our 10th point, and then they get really loud. Technically, that's all it is. But as I walked out of the gym after our 20 point victory over Greenville, I knew that Silent Night was an experience that I would never forget.

As we began warming up over an hour before tip-off time, I noticed that we were not the only ones preparing for the game. Aside from those who set up the bleachers and the scorers' table, guys from the Brotherhood kept coming in and out, dressed in robes and setting up what looked like a house. As I chased down a rebound, I stopped one of them to ask what they were doing. "We're making a live nativity scene," he said with a grin. A live nativity scene...at a basketball game? I knew then that if nothing else, this was going to be a very, very interesting night.

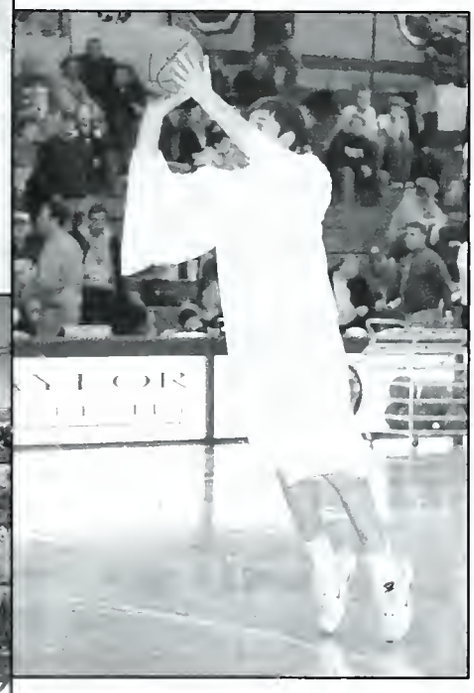
And interesting it was. Odle Gymnasium was packed to overflowing with Taylor fans, but from the time the ball was tipped until almost midway through the first half, it was as quiet as a Saturday morning shoot-around. I felt awkward as I clapped when we scored our first points – no one besides our bench was making any noise at all. Then, all of a sudden, it happened! Eric Ford hit a three-pointer to put our score into the double digits, and the crowd erupted. It was as if God had suddenly un-muted the gymnasium and simultaneously cranked its volume to the max, and then forgot where He put the remote. The gym remained deafening for the rest of our 67 points. I'll never forget that I actually smiled, meaning that I broke one of the major rules for aspiring basketball players on the bench during the game. So much for staunch objectivity.

All in all, Silent Night is much more than just a big basketball game. It's a tradition, and like most good traditions, it must be experienced to be fully understood. Whether this occurs on the court, on the bench, or in the stands, Silent Night will long endure as the pinnacle of Taylor sports traditions.

Russell Balikian



Freshman center Jacob Bream prepares to sink a hook shot against a Greenville opponent.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Greg Hewitt throws a free shot during half time of the Silent Night game.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



The Brotherhood continues with tradition, repeating chants back and forth with the men of Wengatz.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"Silent Night is about the entire student body having a great time while supporting our basketball team. It is about everyone getting crazy and creating an atmosphere of excitement. I thought my Facebook costume would be a fun and crazy contribution."

-Adam Lehman

LIGHTHOUSE







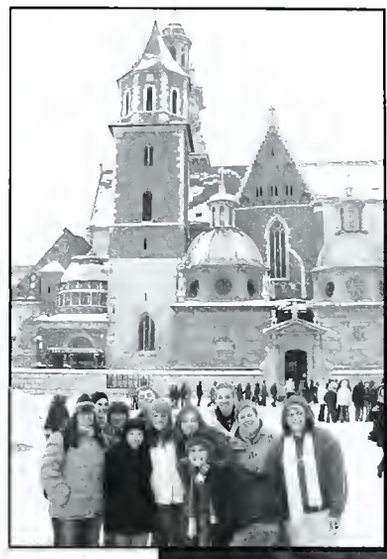
Ecuador

Radio Familia

Although we spent the majority of our time with Radio Familia, we also toured around Ecuador and visited different television networks, a newspaper publication, other radio stations, and towers that made everything possible. Our visit to Quito, Ecuador's capital, was not only the longest trip but also the most educational. We were able to see HCJB's main headquarters and control towers and how intricate everything needed to be to make things work. We were completely blown away at the amount of work the radio endeavor takes and the sincere passion that one must have to make it all work.

Yumi Kim

Poland







To sum up a month-long mission trip is an impossible task. However, I can say that what stuck in my memory the most is the college group we visited in Katowice. Going door to door in a European dorm is an experience in itself. But the passion the leaders have to bring the students and their friends to the Lord was undeniable and inspiring. Seeing the passion of European Christians gave me a fire that I will always cherish.

Nate Baggett



Trinidad

One morning, when I woke up in Trinidad I was struck again with the beauty of this country. We stayed in a camp at the top of a mountain for the whole month. Trinidad became such a place of peace and relaxation for me. God truly blessed me with a month of reflection and time with people who want to serve the Lord. We were at an orphanage one day and this little girl came running up to me and plopped herself right on my lap. From that moment on, she would not let go of me. It broke my heart to realize that she probably never got that one-on-one attention that she so badly needed. I learned a lot about how God wants us to sit with him and never let go of his hand as well.

Amy Wong

South Africa

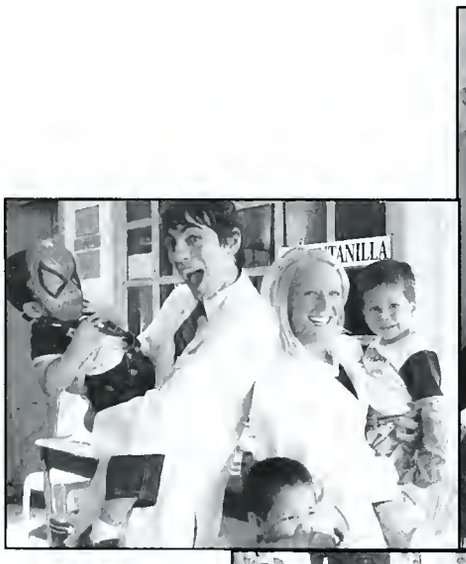


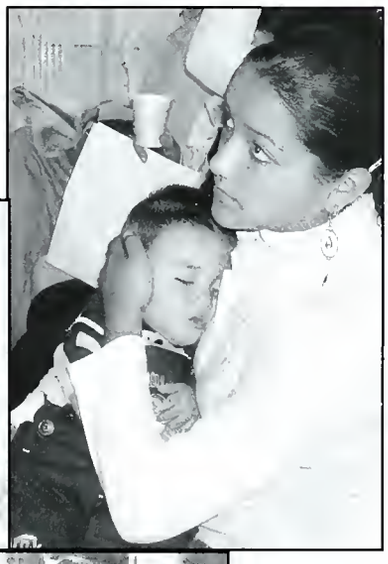




My lighthouse trip to South Africa began with a New Year's celebration aboard the South African A-340 airbus en route for Johannesburg, and it was a preface to an exhilarating month of ministry and service. To say I had great time is to give a shallow depiction of what my personal experience to this blessed land formerly torn by apartheid really was. I knew I was where the Lord wanted me to be, at the time he needed me there, and beyond all else this was an unparalleled and pleasing feeling. Having endured a tumultuous experience acquiring a visa and a passport prior to arriving in South Africa, I viewed the whole experience as a blessing personally handed down by God. During this time I grew spiritually and made new friends; I saw the hand of the Lord working in many lives, and in various ways. As an African, being in South Africa was like being back in Kenya; the languages had a similar tonal quality to them, some of the foods took me back to my younger days growing up and even a brief, heart-pounding encounter with a ferocious-looking male baboon, unified my whole experience. I reminisce and thank God for those glorious four weeks that not only changed my life, but the lives of many; those on my team and those we came in contact with. I fully understand the reason they are called lighthouse teams.

Dereck Kamwesa







Ecuador

I remember getting into the back seat of a car, driven by two people I had met not five minutes earlier who did not even speak my same language, and thinking... "What in the world am I doing here?! These people could be taking me anywhere!" It turns out that I fell in love with "these people" (my Ecuadorian parents), and that they were taking me to my new Ecuadorian home. Staying alone with a host family for the duration of our trip was definitely scary, but definitely worth it!

Jimmy Zimmerman

India







Having been blessed by an abundance of food, sodas tossed at us like they grew on trees, and time away from their work to meet our measly needs, it was no shock that the local Indians we had been working with for the past three weeks would like to leave us with something to remember them by. What was so astonishing was their constant giving spirits despite their finite possessions. I could have easily afforded to buy them a thoughtful gift . . . but I didn't want to spend my money. My team and I received an abundance of thank you gifts from people who lived every day trusting that God would provide them with enough money to survive. The faith they displayed and the immense joy in the face of uncertainty was refreshing and eye-opening. What a huge blessing among many that I could witness it.

Seth Barnes







Guatemala

The children's faces are my most vivid memories of Guatemala. We played and laughed together in the village where we drilled the well. The language barrier reduced our words to grunts; I didn't realize that I wasn't speaking any language at all for a full day. We knew how to laugh at ourselves; they knew how to laugh at me. We provided a well that will give them clean water. They provided us with encouragement of how Christ's love crosses cultures.

Kirby Hall

NOSTALGIA NIGHT



Senior Brad Johnston and freshman Blake Stratton double up on one tiny mic for one big performance of "Twist and Shout" by The Beatles.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Joe Arcano dons a curly wig and sunglasses for the final act of the night, "Free Bird" by Lynyrd Skynyrd.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Luke Owsley breaks out into an energy filled performance of "Working for the Weekend" by Loverboy as he sports a mohawk and some red leather pants.
Photo by Amy Wood

I remember walking on to the stage, plugging in my guitar and looking out at a packed auditorium telling myself, "This is gonna rock." I think it was the overall feeling that you get when you play an old school tune that gets me most. Nostalgia Night was full of nice, conservative tunes; and then there was our tight leather 80's song, "Working For The Weekend." The outrageous costumes of each of the bands really helped to set Nostalgia night apart from any other Taylor talent show; from ripped jeans to floor length dresses, it was sweet to see the creativity and enthusiasm. For me, the funniest part of our performance had to have been when our singer, Luke Owlsey, jumped off stage to run around only to find later that he had ripped his bright red leather pants. From the moment the chapel lit up at the first hit of the snare, to the first guitar riff ripping through the air, Nostalgia Night was a blast from the past that I will remember forever. It was so much fun to play with people who just wanted to dress goofy and rock their hearts out.

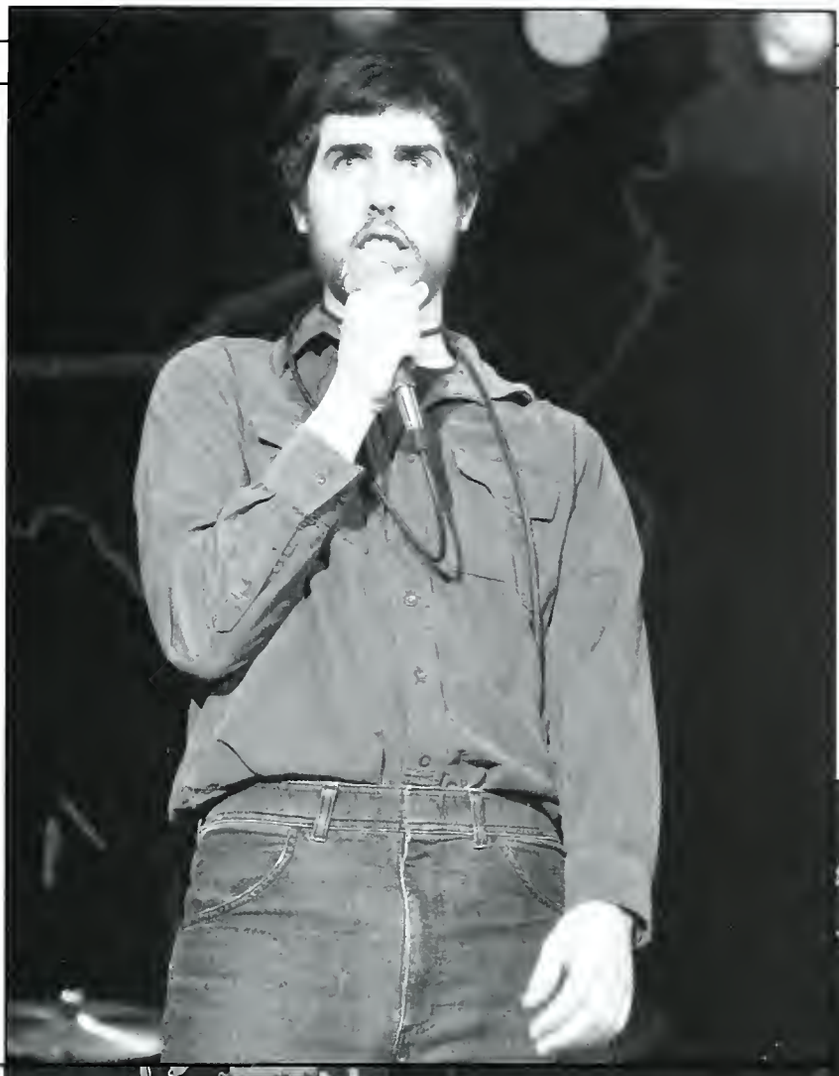
Luke McClain



Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"When the band started up and I whipped around to face the crowd, I was dazzled by the lights, the enthusiasm of those watching, the jazz players, and the dancers. It was in that moment that I felt on top of the world. There was no where else I would rather be right then."

-Hannah DeRegibus



Senior Joe Ozinga is enthusiastic as he sings "Love Will Tear Us Apart" by Joy Division in what was the last of his performances here at Taylor.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Jordan Leick wows the crowd with his endearing performance of Don McLean's "American Pie."
Photo by Amy Wood



Playing "Route 66" by Bobby Troup, the Core Band wraps up the evening, tying in the Route 66 theme for the evening.
Photo by Amy Wood



Junior Laci Liggett has plenty of energy to give an exuberant performance of "Son of a Preacher Man" by Dusty Springfield.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

FILM FESTIVAL



Junior Andrew Jones reads an introduction to a film submitted by his wingmate, junior Jonathan Bennett, who was studying in Los Angeles at the Film Studies Program and unable to attend.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Jonathan (Wolfie) Wolf introduces his film project, Wolfie's Keyboard of Doom. Later that night was a special showing of his reality series, Wolfie's Fer Serious World.
Photo by Amy Wood

Eleven people in one limousine is sort of uncomfortable. Okay, it's really uncomfortable. My right leg actually started falling asleep in the two-minute ride from Wengatz to the Chapel. But that's what happens when you get a sweet crew together for a film, people who are willing to give up their entire weekend to make your vision become real. We shot for 34 hours of a 56-hour time span in an unheated warehouse during January. Not that fun, but in the end, it was all worth it.

So we get out of the limo and all walk together on the red carpet, cast of four and crew of seven. As we enter the building, a small cocktail party awaits, and we all try our best to not spill on our black-tie-event clothing. But shortly after that, the real event starts. People begin filing into their seats to watch five student films for the 2006 Trojan Film Festival. It was a moment we had planned since August.

After the first film shows, it's my turn to get up on stage. When they introduce me and hand me the mic, I just wanted to look out and see who I was talking to. But the immensely bright spotlights on my face made it seem like I was the only one there. So I read my quote, my favorite way to introduce a film. It relates to the theme, but gives you virtually no clue as to what you're about to see. Then the lights go down and I take my seat for what is for me the most nerve-racking part of the entire experience – hundreds of people will now see the work that we have done.

Then the lights come up, and it's over. What we labored over for hours each day the week before the deadline has just realized its potential. Now, I relax, and enjoy the rest of the night.

After that, it's just the wait for the reactions. At intermission, after the show, and the following days, people come up to us and tell us what they thought of the film. And that makes it all worth it. Because we can see if our mission that we started with was received as we hoped, and then we plan for next year.

Tim Sutherland



Sophomore Eric Morse, also known as Kid Vid, exits the limo camera in hand, sporting a homemade "Fer Serious" tie, to promote the reality series for which he is filming.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Aladdin, senior Eric Miller, and Abu, junior Mike Simon, come back to present the award for Best Cinemathography at this year's Film Fest.
Photo by Amy Wood



The Trojan, played by freshman Joel Donnell, stands strong and still during the entire evening's festivities.
Photo by Amy Wood



Junior Jason Burkey, graduate Robbie Tompkins, freshman Jason North, sophomores Kelsey Dufendach and Tim Sutherland step out of their limo onto the red carpet for the Trojan film festival. The group worked together to produce "Moment of Truth."
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Photo by Amy Wood

"It was a particularly strong year for the film festival. Each film was well done, and I felt very honored just to be a part of the event and to present my work of art to the student body."

-Stephen Abernathy

SPRING BREAK

Is it fair to even try to describe the atmosphere on a college campus the week before spring break? The guys down the hall are headed camping to Tennessee and the guys next door prepare for a week in South Padre. In English and Olson, girls cross their fingers with a suspense that kills – ring by spring-break? You just can't beat the pre-spring break fever. And the Taylor World Outreach (TWO) office is certainly not immune. Deep within the student union, TWO was surreptitiously busy, as 250 students prepared to do the missions thing. Daytona, New Orleans, Xocenpich, Mexico City, Freeport, Assis Chateaubriand, Vladimir, Antigua, Guayaquil, Jarabacoa - OR BUST!

One day in the office early on in the year, Jason and I were talking about the different trips. We realized what we were doing was going to be life changing for many. Placing a guy on this team or a girl on this other team was proving to be more difficult than we had planned. We moved applicant's files from one trip to the other trying to find the best fits. However, God, as always and of course, was in control. We were hit by the realization that simply switching two files made a life-changing impact on those individuals, the teams, and the ministry.

Spring Break came and it went and by the time our next exam came, those experiences seemed so far removed. However, the impact that was made was very real and permanent; hundreds of man hours put in digging foundations, cleaning houses, and painting clinics. The thousand hugs, hand shakes and smiles they gave, the kid who accepted Christ during a VBS and the old stubborn man whose heart was softened . . . the stories are countless.

What is even cooler is that these aren't the only stories. How many more people were touched by the example and the witness of those Sammy guys in South Padre? That is what is cool about this spring break mission's thing. It's so much bigger than us, than TWO or Taylor. This picture spread represents a small fraction of the kingdom work that Taylor University accomplished during that crazy, fun, too short, so desperately awaited, indescribably life changing, and so easily forgotten week that we so affectionately call "spring break."

Carlos Moran-Facanha

Bahamas
Taylor Sounds



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Brazil

Daytona Beach



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Dominican Republic



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Ecuador



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El Salvador



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Guatemala



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Mexico
Lions Club



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Mexico
Xoekenpich



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New Orleans



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Russia

YOUTH CONFERENCE



A Youth conference small group helps sort glasses for a service project with the Lion's Club.
Photo by Amy Wood



Keynote speaker Jeremy Kingsley speaks on this year's Youth Conference theme, "Fall on Your Face."
Photo by Amy Wood



The high school students learn how to worship in different ways, including through art and creativity.
Photo by Amy Wood

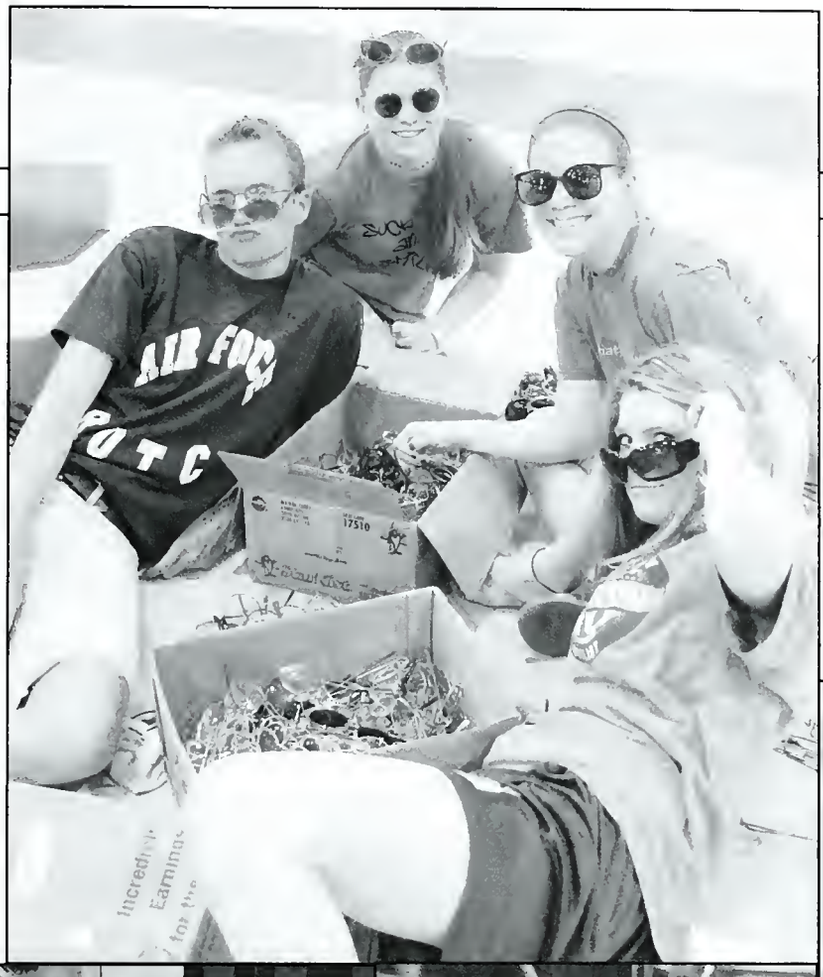
When the Youth Conference cabinet told the small group leaders that we would be having nine training sessions, I'll admit I got pretty scared. What kind of crazy high school kids need to be prepared for with nine training sessions? However, it soon became abundantly clear that the training sessions were not about the kids...they were for our benefit.

As most of you know, the theme for this year was "Fall on Your Face." At the first training session, cabinet shared with us their vision for YC06 and why this theme was chosen. They said that in order for us to change these kids' lives, we had to change our lives first. After all, how could we encourage high school kids to fall on their faces before God without ever having done it ourselves? I was excited by the challenge.

What happened over the next few months is too phenomenal to accurately put into words. God completely changed my attitude toward worship. No more of this attitude of, "Well, if I put my hands halfway up, it will seem like I'm not really into the music, but if I raise them high, people will think I'm weird and trying to be all spiritual or something." The sessions, as well as my own private life as I geared my prayers and devotions toward that weekend, caused me to reflect on the all-encompassing greatness of God, and more than once I was moved to tears and left with what has scientifically termed a "God high."

Then it happened – Youth Conference weekend arrived. The energy in Rediger Auditorium as we waited for the kids to arrive was unbelievable. They walked in, we jumped up and down and screamed until we were blue in the face, and we were off and running for the next 48 hours. There was a great balance of conviction from Jeremy Kingsley's messages and fun activities to lighten the mood. Students in my group asked questions that removed any doubt from my mind that God had been preparing me specifically for this weekend – they were the same questions that I had sought the answers to in the months before. That weekend, the students did fall on their faces . . . and so did their leaders. The presence of God was very real, and He truly revealed Himself as a God that not only commands, but also deserves our respect, admiration, and love.

Kat McKeon



Senior Tim Barger and his small group co-leader junior Kaitlin Getz sort glasses with two of the students in their small group.
Photo by Amy Wood



Junior Terra Bailey models a pair of glasses during the Youth Conference service project to sort lens for the Lion's Club.
Photo by Amy Wood



Youth conference small group leaders wait in Rediger auditorium for their high school small group members to arrive.
Photo by Amy Wood



Youth Conference keynote speaker Jeremey Kingsley addresses the attending high school and Taylor students during one of the main assemblies.
Photo by Amy Wood

"Youth Conference this year was an amazing experience for me working together with other like-minded friends. To be able to reach the goal of falling on your face toward God has helped me to see a new way or worship: to be able to show physically what my heart felt."

-Mark Voss

TAYLATHON



The senior men of Taylathon pose for a team shot after their victory. They didn't let their last opportunity to win slip by them.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Seizing their last opportunity to win a Taylathon race, the senior women rode a strong race and joined the senior men in first place.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Fearless, determined, and absolutely insane are three words that can describe each rider participating in Taylathon. Few people at Taylor understand why Taylathon riders are willing to wake up before sunrise and sacrifice their bodies on the track.

For the past two years, I have counted myself among a handful of Taylor students willing to participate in Taylathon. There are many reasons why I enjoy riding. The main aspect is keeping a historic Taylor tradition alive. In recent years, the number of students interested in participating has dwindled, forcing teams to compete short-handed. Even though this hinders the quality of the race, the participants understand that they are continuing an exciting Taylor tradition for future students.

Another aspect of Taylathon is the friendships made with other riders. Through Taylathon, I have built friendships with people that I would have never met because we live in different dorms or are different majors. I believe that the early morning practices and bruising crashes only bond new friends together.

For me, race day makes the long weeks of practice worth it. The excitement and nervousness that rushes through me is incredible. There is a huge difference on race day because of the adrenaline produced by the supportive crowd. There is nothing better than riding past a huge crowd screaming at you to catch up to the rider in the lead.

Participating in Taylathon the past two years will be two of my favorite memories at Taylor. The memories that I made with new friends, from waking up early to crashing on race day, are unforgettable. I know that Taylathon has produced so many great stories for all participants to share with friends for years to come.

Julie Beck



Not all exchanges go smoothly, as freshmen Nathan Butcher and David Foley find out, but that doesn't stop them from doing their best to finish the race.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Kyle "Active Man" Loewen puts his game face on as he sprints away after making the exchange.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Freshman Jenny Gallagher prepares herself for the transition as her teammate Ellen Koch waits to hop on and take a lap herself.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Jess Jones gets in the zone to make the leap onto the bike so she can make one more lap toward victory.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Being a veteran rider, I can honestly say that Taylathon is one of my favorite Taylor memories. Not only is it a great time to work and compete as a team, but it is also to practice discipline, endurance and concentration.

-Jessica Brummer

STUDY ABROAD
FALL



While studying abroad in France, Ashley Rearick (Bowling Green), Monica Rusu, their friend Priscilla, and Lindsay Achgill pose for a group photo on a lovely, sunny day in Paris.
Photo submitted by Zay Achgill



Some students have the opportunity to travel to other places while studying abroad, like these Lithuania study abroad students. Here, juniors David Ridenour, Tina Fast, Terra Bailey, Kelsey Cunningham, and Kyle Lantz are making their way through Rome.
Photo submitted by Tina Fast

What is an evening like in the life of a French family? Well, if that family consists of a mother and her three children, ages 8, 7 and 3, it is quite entertaining and hectic.

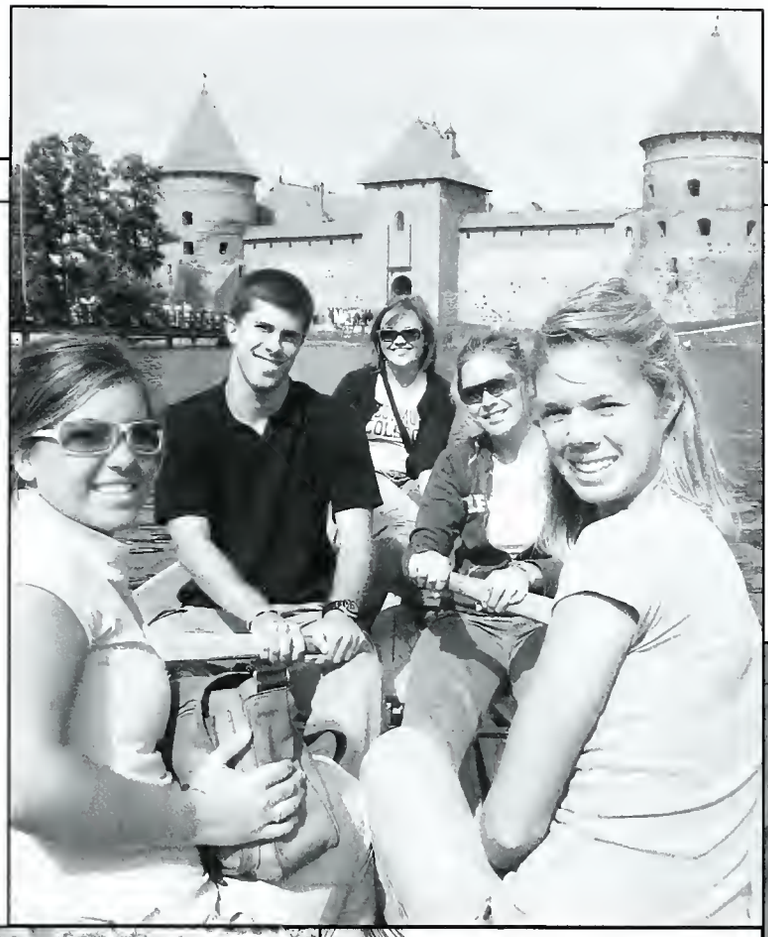
As the kids return from after school programs at around 6:30 p.m., the once quiet home erupts with chatter, laughter, screams, and running. The two oldest children frantically try to finish up homework so as to join the 3-year-old as she contently watches cartoons. Mom is busy running in between kids, making sure math problems are correct, and reading assignments are read, while at the same time asking the youngest how her day was and checking the chart to see whose turn it is to set the table.

As a foreign exchange student, there is only so much you can do. For me that is anything that helps out the mom and keeps the kids moving along in their daily evening schedule: keeping the youngest company watching "Winnie the Pooh," testing the oldest daughter on her times table, or helping the reluctant son set the table for supper. All the while the mom tries to engage me in conversation, making sure I am practicing my French and getting along well in my new home.

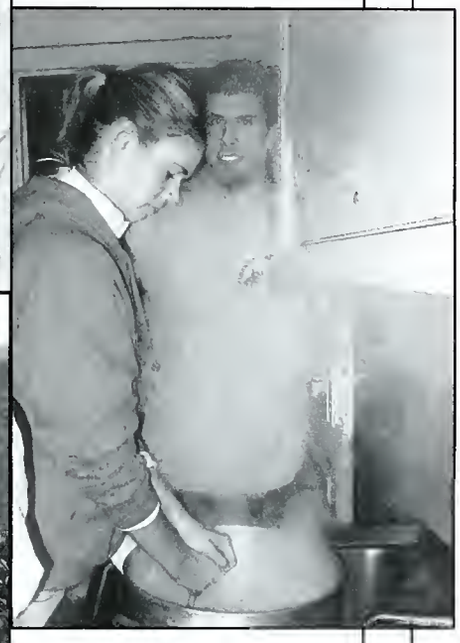
Once homework is completed, the table is set and dinner is ready, the kids wash up and come to the table. The same level of excitement continues as everyone eats up and talks about the day. Occasional arguments result from one child speaking over another, but mostly, this is a time when we are all happy to be together. After the last dessert of "fresh cheese and sugar" is finished , the dishes are placed in the washer, the table is cleared, and the kids head to bed. If everyone had been especially good at dinner and the day had not been too long for Mom, we would all gather together for a quick game and a bedtime story.

And so would end the evening with the French family, sleep overtaking the children, silence filling the house.

Monica Rusu



Lithuanian study abroad students cross the lake surrounded by Trakai Castle, in the city of Trakai, the ancient capital of Lithuania. Terra Bailey, Kyle Lantz, Tina Fast and another student join Kelsey Cunningham on the boat.
Photo submitted by Tina Fast



Juniors Kelsey Cunningham and Kyle Lantz help nuns prepare a meal for the homeless in Lithuania.
Photo submitted by Tina Fast



Juniors Monica Rusu and Zay Achgill admire the beautiful gardens of a small castle near Villandry, France.
Photo submitted by Zay Achgill



Senior Janet McKnight and junior Sarah Wykstra sip their drinks in front of this gorgeous scenery by the waters of Lake Atitlan, Guatemala during their semester in Costa Rica.
Photo submitted by Janet McKnight

"One of my strongest memories is of saying goodbye to the four nuns I had the privilege of getting to know in Kretinga, Lithuania. 'Be holy,' sister Alberta said, 'Whatever you do, be holy.' These ladies showed me, though I only spent a handful of Saturdays with them, what true peace, holiness, and charity look like."

-Tina Fast

STUDY ABROAD
SPRING



Junior Mallory McClain and two other students at the Contemporary Music Center at Martha's Vineyard wait for their ferry at the Vineyard Harbor Haven.
Photo submitted by Mallory McClain



Sophomore Chris Williams and junior Alex Hoekstra put on their best angry bull face during a weekend trip to Madrid, during their semester in Seville, Spain.
Photo submitted by Alex Hoekstra



Sophomore Rachel Suttor spends time with the children at CHERUB, the Children's Health and Education Rehabilitation Unit at Besenya in Uganda for her service project during her semester abroad.
Photo submitted by Rachel Suttor

"In Ireland the inevitable never happens and the unexpected constantly occurs." A line aptly stated by Sir John Pentland Mahaffy. Upon discovery of this quote, I thought how poetic it was but, undoubtedly, a little overboard of a statement. Although I tried my hardest not to create expectations before my arrival in Ireland, I realized that the above line applied incredibly well to this semester in this land of magical mystery.

I had heard rumors about the unpredictable Irish weather, but never really comprehended nor appreciated the full extent of it until the day we decided to take a group hike along our fittingly named "South Beach." It had been spring for a few weeks already, but the sun had not yet shone like it did on this day. Walking along the beach gave everyone the sense of summer, and we were filled with happy thoughts. On our way back home, I spotted an ominous cloud quickly floating our way over the mountains. As soon as the cloud was visible, I knew something was going to happen, but I expected rain at worst. Indeed, it started raining, and then turned to sleet, then hail; finally it snowed almost horizontally. Like lost sheep, we all scrambled to get back as soon as possible. Dressed for a hike on a warm day, none of us were clothed for this sort of weather. The experience would not have been as ridiculous were it not that within 15 minutes of being safe inside and our stomachs filled with hot soup, the sun shone as brightly as it had before.

Through many other stretching experiences like these, we learned that the unexpected indeed does occur and flexibility is the key to surviving it. Frequently, in fact, flexibility was the word of the day. Ireland proved an adequate catalyst for many of us. Although we were inconvenienced at the time, we will never forget the instances in which Ireland took the time to teach us a lesson.

Andrea Grebe



Juniors Kate Hohenstein and Alex Hoekstra, sophomore Jason Hubble, and junior Lauren Roscoe were able to travel to Córdoba on a program sponsered trip during their semester in Spain.
Photo submitted by Alex Hoekstra



Sophomores Rachel Reichenberger, Brittany Rood, and Andrea Grebe, Cate Warriner, junior Erin Hudson from Huntington College, and junior Emily Nufziger pose along the scenic coasts of the Emerald Isle during their semester abroad in Greystones, Ireland.
Photo submitted by Andrea Grebe



Sophomore Jessica Wittebols had an opportunity to travel to the summer palace in Beijing with two students from Linfield University and one student from Germany during her semester abroad in Hong Kong.
Photo submitted by Jessica Wittebols

"My experience in DC was more than my internship at the Department of Justice, it was an evaluation of my faith, my values and my political participation in America. I was challenged intellectually and I grew in my beliefs tremendously. I sought answers to tough questions of truth, justice, power and the role of Christians in government. It was in one word: exhilirating."

-Jenny DeGeyter

TAYLOR THEATER



Two scientists, senior Aaron Leu and sophomore Andrew Dawdy discuss the future of Charlie in "Flowers for Algernon."
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Jonathan Bennett as Professor Bhaer shares a moment with junior Laura Knosp as Jo in "Little Women."
Photo by DJ Horton



The bakery owner played by freshman Rachel Woods and one of her employees played by junior Rachel Cusack talk about Charlie's employment in "Flowers for Algernon."
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Being involved in theatre, I have had the privilege of meeting interesting, unique, and amazing people. With those people come unique situations and stories. Every year is a great roller coaster ride, filled with new twists and turns. This year was no exception.

During the first production, "Little Women," a costume change happened on stage. A scene later, the actress was to change back into the first costume, still back stage. However, during a production, part of the costume was left on stage and a quick substitute had to be found and through the quick cover of an actor on stage, the audience didn't know the difference.

During "Flowers for Algernon" we had more fun while the identical twin Burtness brothers were playing mind games with the cast. They both could fit into the same costumes, and were close to both making an appearance on stage. At a dress rehearsal, a boyfriend of an actress got permission to surprise her for Valentine's Day and through the help of some friends on stage and a spare costume, was able to join the dinner party scene, and shock her with a heart-shaped box of chocolates.

The third and final show, though it only had two cast members, was just as exciting – especially with Aaron Leu and Ashley Mabie. In one of the scenes, Aaron fell through the floor as a pile of things fall on him. On multiple occasions, he scraped up his shins, and a dress rehearsal was interrupted to take care of his leg which had bled through his pant leg. On the last night, he stomped his foot too hard and the objects fell too early, then with a smooth cover, they were able to re-hang the objects only to have them fall, but not fall through the floor. He stood up and on the second try, eventually fell through. Another great part of that show was the pond water, complete with stench, algae and decaying leaves. Authenticity of smell was even taken into consideration. No snapping turtles were harmed in the making of this production...

These are only a few of the stories from the shows. The joy of the theatre will never cease because of the incredible people I have had the privilege to meet. These amazing people will continue to breathe life into it. The rest of the stories will remain within the theatre family.

David Phillips



Sophmore Kelsey Dufendach, junior Anna Clough, senior Annie Calhoun, junior Kristi Thoryk, senior Laura Knosp, and freshman Jenna McCullough are Marmie and her four girls, including young and old Jo, in "Little Women."
Photo by DJ Horton



Junior Ashley Mabie and senior Aaron Leu act as Sally and Matt trying to figure out a complicated relationship in "Talley's Folly."
Photo by Amy Wood



Sophomore Andrew Dawdy analyzes Charlie, junior Jason Burkey, as his psychologist in "Flowers for Algernon."
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"A director of mine once said, 'Live in the joy of the moment. Because that is the beauty and mystery of theatre. It only occurs in time and space, and then it's just a memory. Fortunately the relationships and the lessons learned live on.' That is why I enjoy doing shows like Flowers for Algernon. I made such great relationships with the cast and we had a blast during the whole process."

-Jason Burkey

GRADUATION



Junior Gabrielle Henderson carries the American flag in the graduation processional.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Dr. Rediger and the Taylor Chorale sing "Father, Give Thy Benediction" to close the ceremony.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Where there was once laughter and joy now sits empty chairs and abandoned programs as the seniors have left Taylor for the world. Commencement is a bittersweet moment as we say goodbye to our friends and venture off into new territory.

The memories we have created will be the stories we tell as we reach our new destinations in life. Our times at Taylor are treasured moments which have shaped the men and women we are today.

As a class we have been through a lot these past four years and even more so during our last month together. But through it all we have witnessed the hand of God in our Taylor community and a bond has been created that will not be severed.

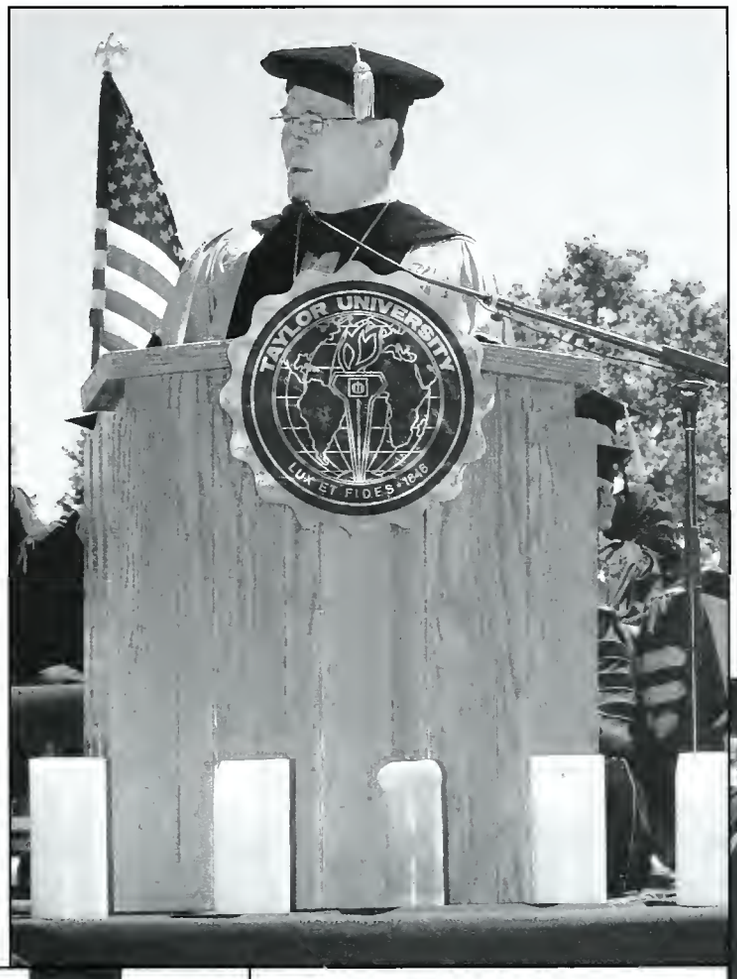
We have been challenged to answer the SOS cry of our world, and we can do that by reflecting Jesus' love, acceptance, compassion and peace. Stepping out of our comfort zone and taking risks is how we can reach the world for Christ.

As Taylor graduates we have two stories to tell. One is the time we have spent on Taylor's campus and the other is the story of God's love and the sacrifice of His son.

Now that classes are at an end, we must leave and discover our own destiny in life; none are the same except the final one. Unfortunately many graduates will never see all their fellow classmates after commencement; but at Taylor we know we will celebrate together again as we dance on the streets that are golden.

When will we reach that final destination, no one knows; but the adventure of getting there will create great stories and memories that will last a lifetime. Class of 2006, it is time to write your story and change the world for good.

Trista Hartman



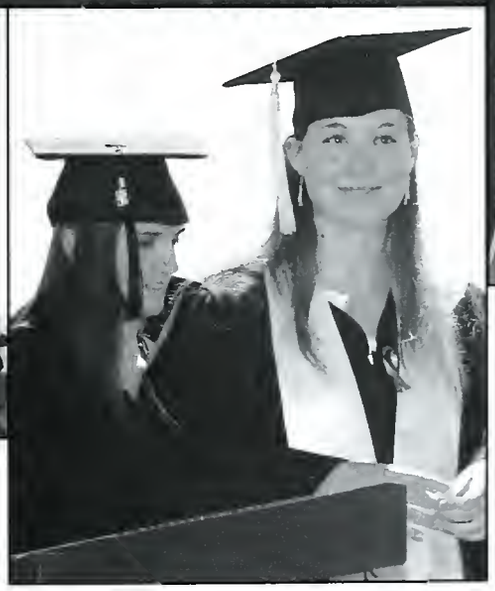
Dr. Habecker closes the ceremony and announces the graduates of 2006. The five candles in front of the podium represent the four students and one staff member that were lost in the recent tragedy
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Abby Duncan accepts a posthumous diploma on behalf of Laurel Erb. Laurel was given an associates degree in art.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Seniors Kevin Dufendach, Daniel Fisher, and Sean Wightman line up to receive their diplomas. Each received a Bachelor of Arts in chemistry and biochemistry.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



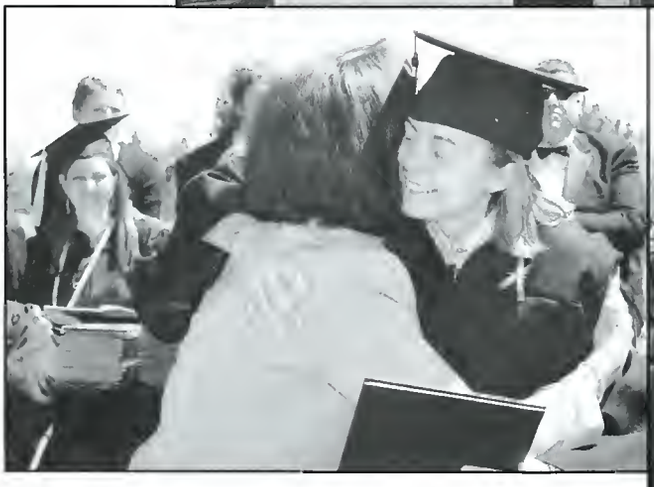
Seniors Megan Elder and Kristen Favazza wait to recieve their diplomas. Both graduated with degrees in Communication Arts.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"Seeing our class come together to celebrate our achievements was a great reminder of the fun times we've spent together, as well as the struggles, and how God shaped us through those experiences."

-Bryan McCart



Senior Melissa Munn accepts her diploma from Dr. Habecker. Melissa graduated in the psychology department with a 4.0 GPA after undergoing three major open heart surgeries just weeks before graduation.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Lisa VanRyn shares a hug with Marylou Habecker as she accepts a diploma on behalf of her sister Laura VanRyn who was killed in the accident on April 26. Lisa graduated from Taylor in 2002.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Lori Twycross enjoys a laugh with Professor Donna Downs after the ceremony celebrating her graduation.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Seniors Tim Lofton and Ben Toll hoist their friend and fellow graduate Ben Rosado into the air in ecstatic celebration of their graduation.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Melissa Goss turns her tassel in a moment that signifies all she has worked toward for the last four years of her life.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Abby Duncan, roommate of Laurel Erb, and sophomore Heidi Smith, sister of Betsy Smith, accept posthumous diplomas on their behalf. Laurel and Betsy, along with seniors Brad Larson and Laura VanRyn, and Creative Dining Staff member Monica Felver passed away in the accident on April 26 this year.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Catherine Randall sings her solo in the Chorale song, "Chords of Love" by Gwyneth Walker.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

"The graduation ceremony was an amazing finalé to four years well spent . . . learning, living, loving, and serving."

-Wendy McConnell



Photo by Amy Wood

What we learn is the road map by which our stories are oriented, guided, and formed. Academics are a foundational element in leading us to our destinations.





1 Freshman Alysa Barnhart poses as junior Laurel Erb shoots her picutres for her Photo III project.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Junior Anita Kaul warms up on her violin with the rest of the chamber orchestra before practice.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Sophomore Meggie Lyzenga, senior Allison Riddle, and junior Matthew Reichert concentrate as they lead the brass section on their trumpets.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Senior Katrina Carlson throws her clay for the wheel throwing ceramics class.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith



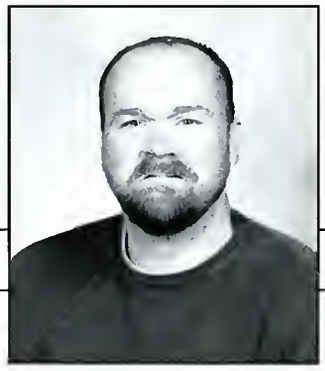


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Gala Bent
Bruce Campbell
Craig Moore Sr.
Susan Nace
Dr. Rachel Smith
Dr. Dana Collins
Dr. Albert Harrison
Dr. Richard Parker
Dr. Joann Rediger
Dr. Patricia Robertson
Cathy Moore
Lisa Royal



Zack Bent



Larry Blakely



Shaun Casbarro



Kathy Herrmann

THE FINE ARTS

Music and Art



This year was met with some anxiety. Although we were very successful with last year's opera, *The Gondoliers*, we were faced with the challenge of living up to that level of success with this year's opera. The new opera, *Cosi Fan Tutte*, was a completely different style from last year's. It only contained six main characters and a small chorus and was sung entirely through without spoken dialogue. We were excited and nervous as to how we were going to pull all of the elements in this opera together in less than six months. By the time January rolled around, we were basically consumed by the opera. Add the extra strain of about two and a half hours of singing Monday through Thursday during J-term, and soon tensions began to run high. One of the toughest aspects of voice is that it takes a while to hear a significant difference from the start. But when that change happens, things really begin to take off. All of us in the opera began to experience this change as we experimented with our music and our roles. The elements that seemed so difficult earlier began to come together. Dress rehearsals came and went, and before we could blink, opening night was here! The two nights we performed really brought out the best in us. It was exhilarating to step out onto the opera set and bring to life a character that otherwise would have been words in a book. We didn't fully grasp how much the audience loved the show until it had ended with a standing ovation. The end was bittersweet. We were tired, no doubt, and were thankful that we could get a good night's rest. The set tear down was long and reflective. It was difficult for some of us to call this the end. But we were proud of the work we had done. And hopefully, the TU Opera Theatre will in the future get to see many more operas that were as successful as *Cosi Fan Tutte* was this year.

-Erin DeWolfe



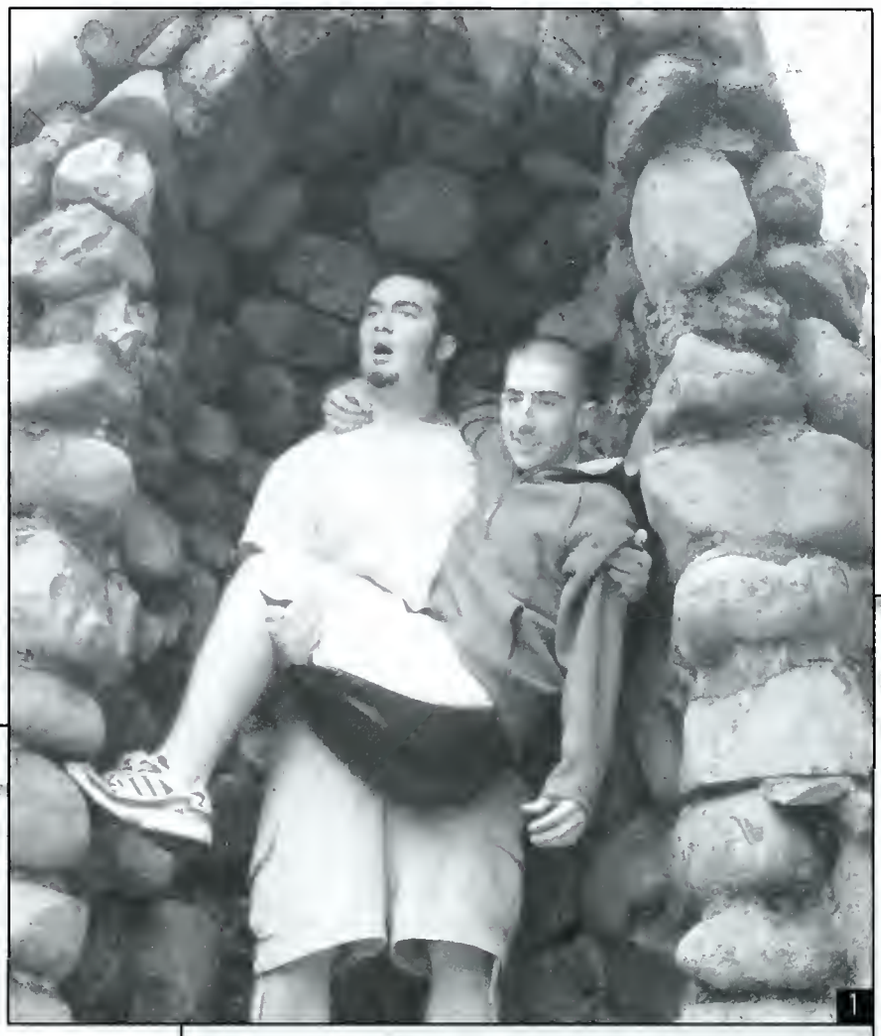
Dr. Christopher Bade



Dr. Leon Harshenin



Mary Mahan



1 Sophomores Nathan McCauley and Kyle King goof off during free time at the Christian Education Retreat in the Spring.
Photo submitted by Kyle King

2 Junior Ryan Daniels addresses his Bible class.
Photo taken by DJ Horton

3 Senior Scott Williams is one of many students to present in Dr. Heth's Bible class.
Photo taken by DJ Horton

4 Dr. Heth directs his class in the animated style he is so well known for.
Photo taken by DJ Horton







Kari Manganello

Not Pictured:
Dr. Faye Chechowich
Dr. Win Corduan
Dr. Ted Dorman
Andrew D. Rowell
Dr. David Smith
Dr. Richard Smith



Jenny Collins



Dr. Phil Collins



Dr. Michael Harbin



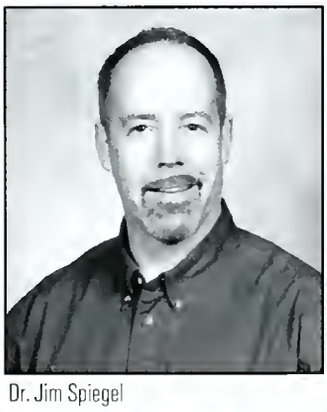
Dr. Larry Helyer

THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Biblical Studies, Christian Education, Philosophy



Philosophy: In the fall, Kate Dugan organized a dinner with Dr. Win and June Corduan at a nice Indian restaurant in Fort Wayne. That evening, a small group of philosophy majors piled into cars and made their way to the Taj Mahal restaurant, only to find that it was closed for the evening. After a little dialectic and well-placed phone call by Nathan Ricke, we ended up at another place that was just as good. Upon getting settled and ordering our food we started picking the Corduans' brains for interesting tidbits. We heard some great stories and laughed a good deal. Our evening with the Corduans reminded me that Taylor has been a great place for personal development. I fell that the philosophy department has excelled in the area of working to develop the minds and lives of its students. -David Schwan



Dr. Jim Spiegel

Biblical Studies: Although there are countless memories that come to mind, three specific experiences have stuck out in my mind over the last year. First, the amount of pictures Dr. Heth takes of all his students is unparalleled. The energy and excitement which he brings has encouraged me to approach every day with joy. Second, Dr. Helyer once brought an onion to class in order that we might find the core by peeling off all the layers. This was a hands on, eye-watering, object lesson to demonstrate the skeptical process some scholars take in searching for the historical Jesus. We then discussed what our response should be in light of the uncertainty of who Jesus really was and is. I have also had the privilege of meeting with Dr. Helyer on numerous occasions to talk about life and academics, and to pray. This is one aspect of my education that I have appreciated the most. Not only do the professors strive to make the classroom atmosphere one in which I can learn and ask questions, but they also take the time to invest in my life outside the classroom. Their friendship and discipleship has been a valuable addition to my experience here at Taylor. Thank you for all your hard work. -Tom Smillie



Dr. Bill Heth



Dr. Bob Lay



Dr. Ed Meadors



Amy R. Rowell

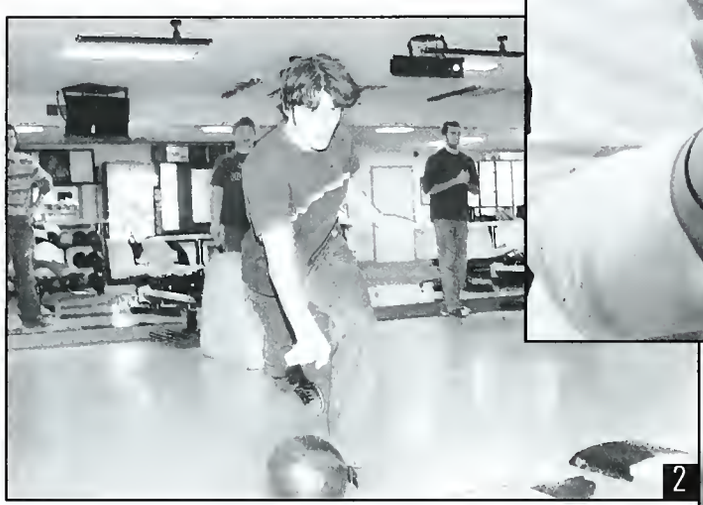


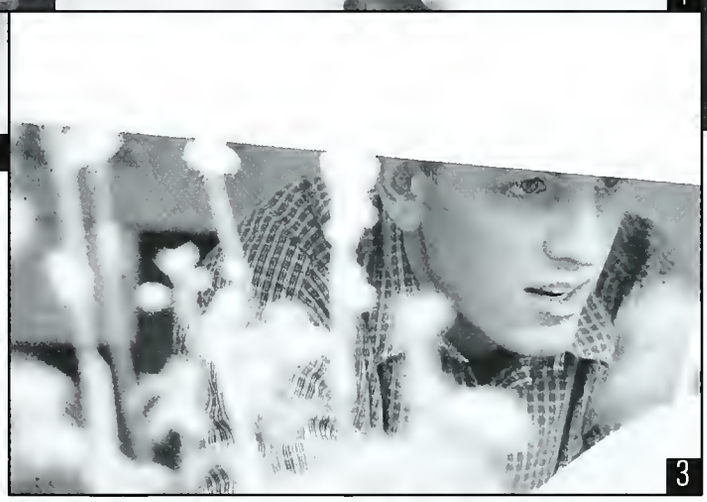
1 Sophomore Erin Hinnen concentrates as she counts her plants, taking data for her genetics lab.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Junior Derek Weller and classmates take a trip to the alley to master their bowling form.
Photo by DJ Horton

3 Sophomore Matt Suer examines his carefully monitored plants, watching for growth during his genetics lab.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Sophomore Chris Jetter does squats during weightlifting class, fulfilling his physical fitness requirment.
Photo by DJ Horton







Dr. Timothy Burkholder



Dr. John Moore



Dave Bireline



Dr. Jeff Regier

LIFE SCIENCES

Biology, Physical Education, Human Performance



Not pictured:
Dr. Jan Reber
Dr. Paul Rothrock
Dr. Andrew Whipple
Bill Baur
Amy Stucky
Steven Wilt
Larry Winterholter
Dr. Angie Fincannon
Erik Hayes
Denise Johnson
Tena Krause
Paul Patterson
Dr. Joe Romine
Deb Carter
Nancy Gruendyke

BIOLOGY: Throughout my journey as a biology major, I've grown to love the subject as well as the people with whom I study. Labs are time consuming, but it is time spent learning with friends. The excitement of isolating mitochondria may not be equivalent to a late-night Wal-Mart run or a Saturday evening in Muncie, but when you are designing your own project, mixing your own solutions, and grinding frozen bovine liver while shivering in the cold-room, there is fun to be had when people you enjoy are doing it with you. The communal atmosphere at Taylor University seems to catalyze a direct correlation between intense study and ardent relationships within the major. Though often challenging, and sometimes downright rigorous, persisting in what you love with other friends can be...well...fun.
-Brittany Belcastro

EXERCISE SCIENCE: For students in the exercise science field, this year was intellectually and professionally challenging. It was marked by the introduction of a PHP student advisory council, department lounge, student managed wellness program, accompanied by laughter and fun. While some journeyed from manufacturer to manufacturer filling bags with free merchandise, others attended the Club Industry Fair in Chicago. Also unforgettable was the bonfire at the Hayes' house, in which we ate more s'mores than we should have (considering our area of study) and Christmas caroling at the nursing home. Indeed, exercise science is more than a major where fitness geeks unite to pump iron. It is an exciting, applicable, hands-on field, that builds confidence and unity among its students.
-Kira Olsen


Jeff Marsee


Dr. Don Taylor


Val Snyder


Kay Williams



1 Junior Josh Linderman collaborates with sophomore Jared Schlak to find a solution. Outside of the classroom, students attend physics study tables for extra help on work.
Photo by Amy Wood

2 Sophomore Parker Haaga rinses out his test tube after completing his lab in Chemistry for Living
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Junior Gin Roe empties her syringe in her Chemistry for Living Lab.
Photo by Amy Wood

4 Senior Jordan Rupp waits for help from his peers during Physics Study tables.
Photo by Amy Wood







Not Pictured:
Dr. Stanley Burden
Dr. Daniel King
Dr. William Holmes
Dr. Henry Voss
Dr. Patricia Stan



Dr. Daniel Hammond



Dr. LeRoy Kroll



Dan Smith



Dr. Robert Davis

SCIENCES
Chemistry, Physics



Chemistry: Last summer I participated in a project with the biochemistry department. Through practical lab experience and science in the "real world" of research, I learned more than just science, but gained common sense. I now know that when a procedure calls for a reaction to be carried out in a fume hood, it means it. I did not heed this warning, mixed a few solutions together, and failed to notice that the mixture was producing a smell not unlike rotten eggs. Before I knew it, the stench had spread from the Dungeon to the observatory. Surprisingly, most of the other people working there did not find it terribly funny (it's not like the fumes were very toxic), and I still hear about it half a year later. Chemistry is a major of such thrills on a regular basis and I would not trade the resulting memories for anything.

- Andy Sevier

Physics: The night began with the standard stimulating physics banter: "All's you gotta do is bang it out." "You can use Excel to do that. You can use Excel to do anything." And so it continued: six physics students on 2nd Nussbaum, slaving on physics homework late into the night until – at exactly 1:59 a.m. – the stairway door slammed. "Quick! Into the Optics Lab!" The students scurried for sanctuary. If discovered, they would shock their assailant with the Van de Graph generator. But when the Campus Safety officer walked by, all was calm and the bated breath of the hidden Physics students was indiscernible. Finally, they were left to do their homework in peace. Where the twisted, masochistic inner-drive of the physics student comes from, no one knows. The "measurable observable" is the fruit of their labor, and that has been obvious this year in many ways: six seniors attained the opportunity to spend 10 days at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, Texas, where they conducted an experiment on the vomit comet, the airplane used to train astronauts for microgravity situations; of course, the balloon sat program is still flying high, thanks to our students' hard work; and to top it all off, this year we have an astounding 18 graduates from the physics department.

-Jenna Hanchey and Chris Fink



Dr. Ken Kiers



Dr. Don Takehara



Barbara Michael

1 Dr. Mitchell lectures his macroeconomics class.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

2 Sophomore Allison Maybray and freshmen Ben Greenman and Josh Greenman focus on Dr. Ringenberg's lecture about WWI in World History.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

3 Kim Miller jots down some notes as Dr. Mitchell lectures in macroeconomics .
Photo taken by Amy Wood

4 Dr. Ringenberg lectures his World History class, a general education course that many students take.
Photo taken by Amy Wood


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Dr. Roger Jenkinson
Dr. Steve Messer
Dr. William Ringenberg
Dr. Alan H Winquist
Janet Kriege-Baker
Dr. Lee Erickson
Marvin Tapp Jr.


Dr. Scott Adams


Janet Kriege-Baker


Dr. James Coe


Mary Jo Hirschy

CHRONICLES

Business and History



History: Ahh... Reade Center 234, the best of all rooms in the history department. Every history major finds a home in this room, a favorite spot, a memory from Introduction to History or a heart-pounding exam. The presidents peer down at us from the west wall, making sure we learn their side of the story well. From the other wall an ominous map overwhelms us, reminding us there is still so much to see. And, to our surprise, this year 40 new, metal desks replaced the rickety desks from the 1950s with "I love history" etched on the back of the chairs. Among the excitement of new desks, the history department has remained true and faithful to its discipline. Walk by the history alcove, and you will see devoted history majors furiously typing away at another of Dr. Winquist's research papers or intensely studying for Dr. Ringenberg's next tough exam. We are a studious bunch, who get excited over small things like desks, or a history publication just in on the shelf.

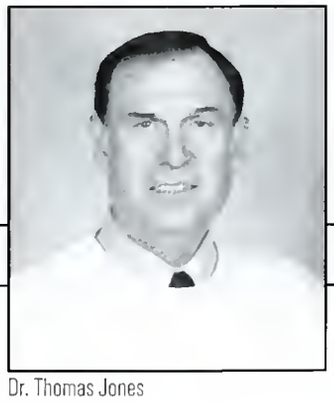
-Meggie Lyzenga

Business: Everything is business. I learned this truth when I traveled to Washington, D.C. during the fall semester with the American Studies Program. Through my studies and internship, I was able to put my business major to practice. One of my largest internship responsibilities at the Institute for Global Engagement was to assist in the coordination of their "Global Leadership Conference." My background of planning and implementing conferences with TABS played greatly into that success. The communication skills and leadership styles taught in Professor Coe's Management Analysis allowed me to effectively interact with politicians and business people alike. Also, Dr. Mitchell's information packed lectures gave me the ability to quickly analyze information, and formulate responses. In my four years at Taylor, these are only a few of the ways I have effectively put my major to practice.

-Greg Matney



Dr. Hadley T. Mitchell



Dr. Thomas Jones



Nancy Gillespie



1 Senior Monica Rusu addresses the class in a speech defending Mel Gibson's movie *The Passion of the Christ* against anti-Semitic accusations during Communication for Change.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Freshman Stanley Hoover facilitates a discussion on culture through an interactive game in Interpersonal Communication.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Junior Justin Clupper interviews Jeff Sparks from Heartland Film Festival, who was a guest on campus for the Communication Arts New Media Open House in May.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Sophomores Tamara Shaya and Katie Todd interact with the professor and other students in their Digital Video class.
Photo by DJ Horton





Not Pictured:
Dr. Dale Keller
Jan Pletcher



John Bruner



Kathy Bruner



Linda Deneau Manganello



Dr. Donna Downs

COMMUNICATION

New Media, Communication Arts, Theatre



This year saw the addition of the New Media Major to the Communication Department, and with it came Professors John and Kathy Bruner. The New Media Major has two focuses in the Communication department: writing and production. These are utilized in many different media from the Internet to film. It replaced the Mass Communications major. As a New Media Communications Major I have found having the two of them as professors to be a great experience. They are both amazingly knowledgeable and they take a real and tangible interest in their students. The Bruners invited their classes into their home, and even had them over for meals, which is definitely better than the DC. They want to help their students in any way they possibly can, and I have benefited greatly from their dedication. I think they are an asset to the Communication department for those reasons, but also for the things they have brought to Taylor's campus. They have helped improve our faculties so that those interested in media production, like film and television, will be able to produce media of professional quality. I'm really grateful for all they do.

-Dustin McLean

Life as a theatre major is unique, insane, and incredible. After pouring in countless hours of blood, sweat, and tears, into a temporary production, who wants their talent to be judged by hundreds of people? The ability to hold the audience's attention with every word and gesture, taking them into a new world which one has created through lights, sets, props, costumes, sound, and makeup is an extremely powerful tool. There is an energy and fire inside me, given by God. Entertainment is on the surface, but as a Christian, it is my goal to challenge myself and others around me to live up to a higher calling and to use theatre as a tool for communicating truth.

-David Phillips

One of my favorite questions to field as a Communication Studies major is, "So what exactly are you going to do with that major?" One of the blessings, and some might say curses, of being in Communication Studies is the broad field of career choices and opportunities open to its students. In my classes I have peers who want to go into event planning, public relations, corporate business, journalism, editing and countless other occupations. In what other major could you have the same diversity of passions within a single classroom? I may not know exactly where my career will take me after school, but when people ask about my major I just smile and say, "Don't worry, I have plenty of options."

-Amy Horner



Dr. Jessica Rousselow-Winquist



Judy Kirkwood



Carol Owen



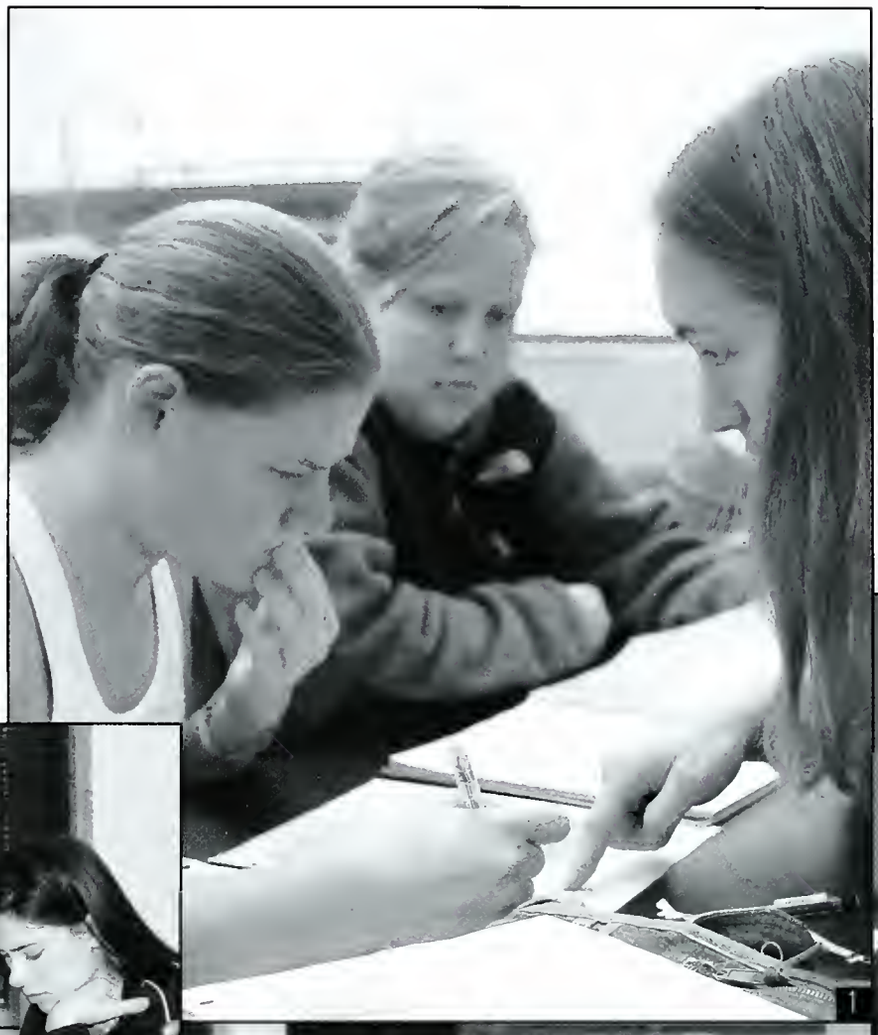
Josh Taylor

1 In Physical Geography, sophomore Jenny Shaffer and junior Colleen Kehoe recieve help from the willing teacher's assistant, Melissa Werner.
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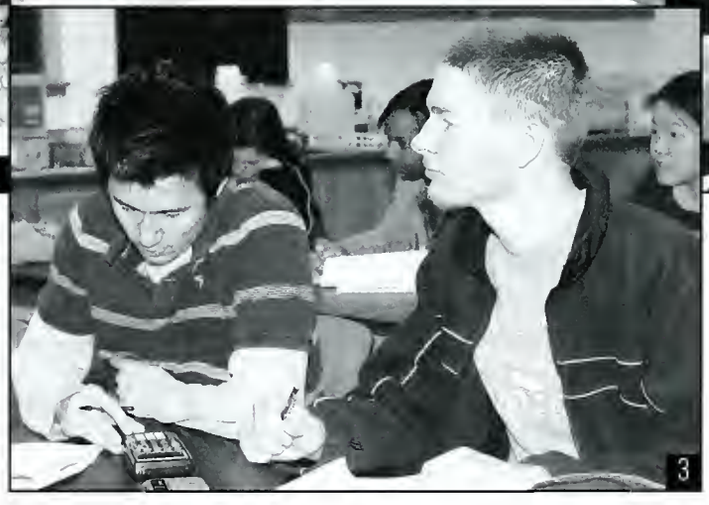
2 Professor Robert Reber assists junior Colleen Ramsay with her questions concerning the assignment in Ecology Lab.
Photo by DJ Horton

3 Sophomore Kyle Loewen listens attentively while junior Michael Ho works on calculations for his Ecology Lab.
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4 Amanda Harsy, a senior in Physical Geography, works with maps during class.
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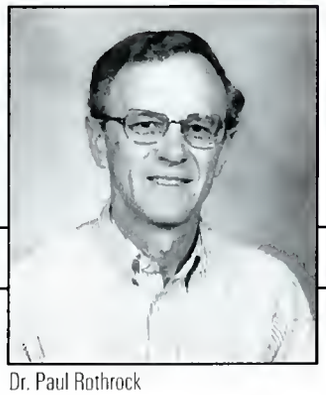







Dr. Michael Guebert


Dr. Roger Jenkinson


Dr. Paul Rothrock

EARTH SCIENCE

Earth and Environmental Science, Geography



Environmental Biology: Dressed in mud-splattered pants and a sweater, I slowly worked the drill bit of the rig down into the earth to open up a well shaft in the cold mountains of rural Guatemala. Not the average day in the life of an Environmental Biology major. This is where my major has led me; from courses in biology and geology to a Lighthouse trip drilling a well and hand-digging a 10 foot deep cistern in a land of volcanoes. No experience could have been more ideally suited to a department whose motto is, "Science leading to stewardship and service." The usefulness of highly technical and scientific academic learning in class became evident while completing development projects to improve the health and environmental conditions of distant neighbors. The environmental professors have a strong passion for enabling students to live out their calling as stewards; through the Guatemala experience, I may have just found God's niche for me in a hurting ecosystem.

-Nathan Griswell

Geology Rocks! Over the past four years I've been able to study rocks all around Indiana, South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana, and Guatemala through Taylor geology courses. Class projects include many late nights in the Environmental Science building with Polar Pops as we evaluate the campus master plan and complete hydrologic studies. Field trips create an amazing opportunity not only to experience class material first hand, but a chance to get to know the other students in class as well as Dr. Guebert. Memories include camping in tornado weather, walking though creeks, and crawling through caves. And van rides are an adventure in themselves as Dr. Guebert stops to examine road cuts, groundwater seeps, or point out glacial evidence. Buckle Up!

-Kirby Hall



Becky Taylor

Not Pictured:
Dr. Lawrence Fisher
Robert Reber
Dr. Edwin Squiers

1 Junior Erin Haymond leads her Music for Teachers class in singing "This Little Light of Mine," practicing for her future role as an educator.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

2 Seniors Jenny Courter and Natalie Uetrecht wave thier "lights" in Music for Teachers as they pretend to be kids in a classroom for Erin Haymond's presentation of "This Little Light of Mine."
Photo taken by Amy Wood

3 Senior Sarah Poelstra mounts letters for her bulletin board, a requirement of the elementary education department, for the completion of the thematic unit
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Sharon Gray, a secretary in the Social Work department, looks at children's books put on display by the Education Department.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith









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Dr. Angie Macomber
Dr. Pamela Medows
Rebecca Sue Moore
Rebecca Sheerer
Dr. Cynthia Tyner
Quinn White



Dr. Alexandra Armstrong



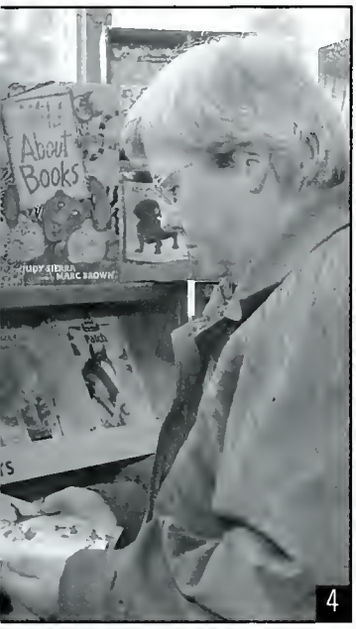
Dr. Joan Kitterman



Dr. Carl Siler

EDUCATION

Enriching Minds, Leading the Way



The Taylor education department's goal is to develop competent, caring, and reflective teachers prepared for world service. At the beginning of this school year, I was apprehensive about majoring in education. I was worried that it left few options for life after college. But looking back on one year of classes, I see how wrong I was. Whether one teaches in rural, inner-city, public, private, or international schools the possibilities are numerous. I love talking to the alumni of Taylor who were education majors and are now teaching. Many of them have told me that they learned so much during their years in Taylor's education department and that it has really prepared them for their teaching career. I am excited to continue in the education major and learn more from my professors over the next three years. My professors are themselves competent, caring, and reflective as they seek to prepare us, their students, for world service. -Eva Reynolds

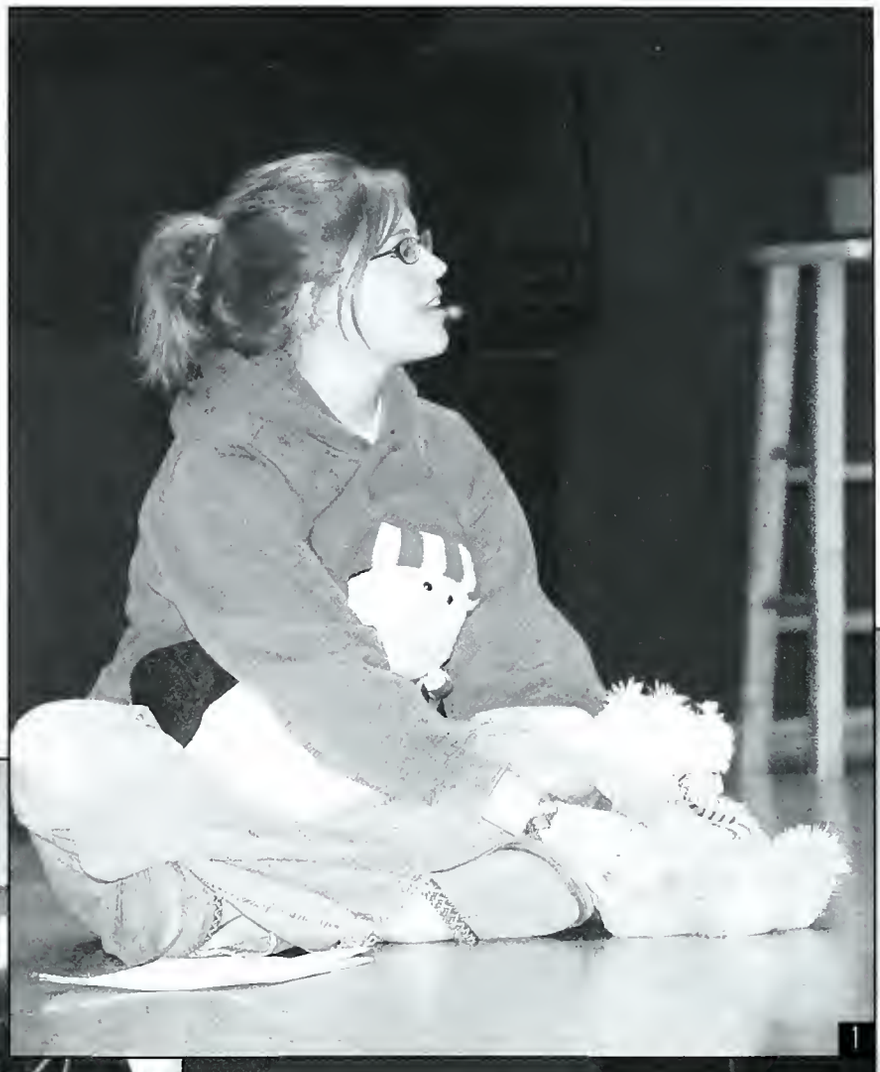
The best part of Taylor's education department is the experience I get in the local schools. This year I taught a first period social studies class of sixth graders. The first time I taught a lesson, the boy who sits in the back row raised his hand before I even began and said, "Miss Levon, are you nervous?" Of course, I was scared out of my mind. But you're not supposed to let on about those types of things so I denied it, and then proceeded to trip over the overhead projector! At that point it was obvious that I was lying about not being nervous, and the entire class burst into laughter. It was kind of nice, actually, to release the nervous energy in that way. I have loved the chance to experience what it's really like to be a teacher. Although at times it's intimidating to be in charge of an entire classroom, the chances I have had to do so will prove invaluable to my future as a teacher. -Laura Levon



Marcia Benjamin

Taylor does a great job of helping us gain a variety of field experiences, and this year I spent 30+ hours teaching or observing students. Being in the classroom is great; it allows us to apply what we're learning in all of our classes and gets us excited about education. As a junior Elementary Education major, I feel very prepared to student teach in the fall.

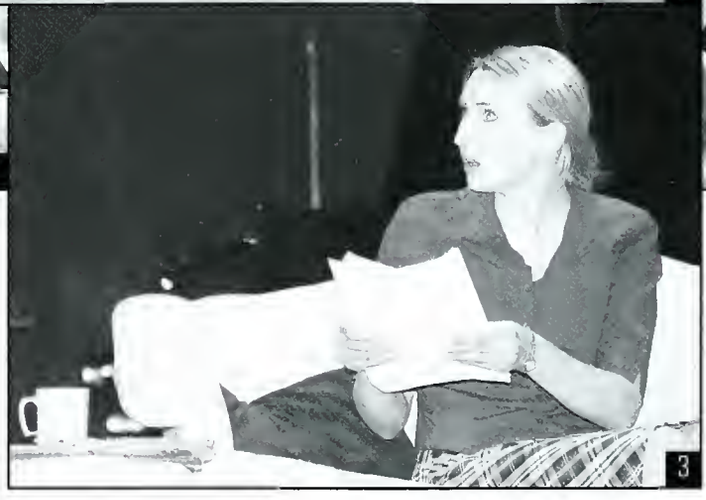
-Jessica Beck



1 Sophomore Vikki Arosen uses stuffed animals for props during her presentation of her one act play for Imaginative Writing class.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith



2 Sophomore Katie Wilson and junior Brittany Davis practice their conversational Spanish skills.
Photo taken by Amy Wood



3 Junior Anna Clough reads the lines of her one-act play for Imaginitive Writing Class.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith



4 Junior Meg Hillesland recieves help from Professor Todt during Spanish class.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

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Dr. Beulah Baker
Dr. Barbara Heavilin
Dr. Mary Muchiri
Dr. Thom Satterlee
Dr. Colleen Warren
Dr. Chin Chang
Dr. Mark West
Dr. Betty Messer
Rhonda Gretillat



Dr. Lorne Mook



Dr. Barbara Bird



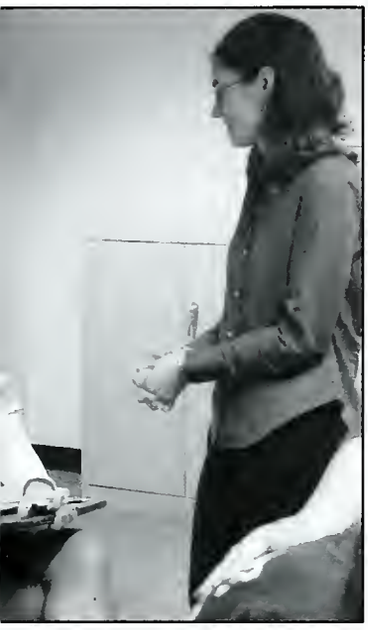
Dr. Nancy Dayton



Dr. Joseph Ricke

LANGUAGE

English and Modern Languages



Spanish: As I began the school year last September, I was a bit intimidated by my major. As a Spanish education major returning from studies in Mexico the previous summer, I did have a bit more confidence with my language skills; yet I could not help but fear for my GPA as I struggled through my first day of Intro to Spanish American Literature. Slowly, over time, I started to become a bit more comfortable with the many libros and artículos we read and analyzed. Not only have I increased my language skills, but my study of Spanish has developed deeper things within me. Through the hard work and patience required for studying a foreign language, I have unconsciously learned perseverance, responsibility, and a growing sense of accomplishment which will remain with me for the rest of my life.
-Shannon Wilson

English: We in the English Department read words, discuss words, and write words. And yet, this is not all we do in the English Department. We also eat cheesecake. Cake made out of cheese. Cheese molded and shaped into the form of a cake. Every year, the English Department hosts its annual "Let's-Get-Together-And-Meet-The-New-Freshman-English-Majors-And-Also-Eat-Food." This celebratory gathering is a time to reveal to the freshmen how much we really do know about the life and times of Molière and to fill our stomachs with the taste of "Dayton Delight." In addition to cheesecake, we also feast on hamburgers, chicken, and other delectable dishes deemed appropriate to eat at English gatherings (and yes, that is alliteration). English, of course, is more than just eating and words. English majors understand that this world is created by God and meant to be explored. English is a means for expressing all that is in this world in a way that is creative, informative, and engaging. That is the appeal of language. That is the appeal of nonfiction, of poetry, of fiction, and of drama. It is to that ability of literature to present something in a new and distinct way that English majors are drawn. It is what keeps us reading, what keeps us writing. And yes, we do take a break from time to time – to eat cheesecake. -Josh Zehnder



Dr. Dan Treber



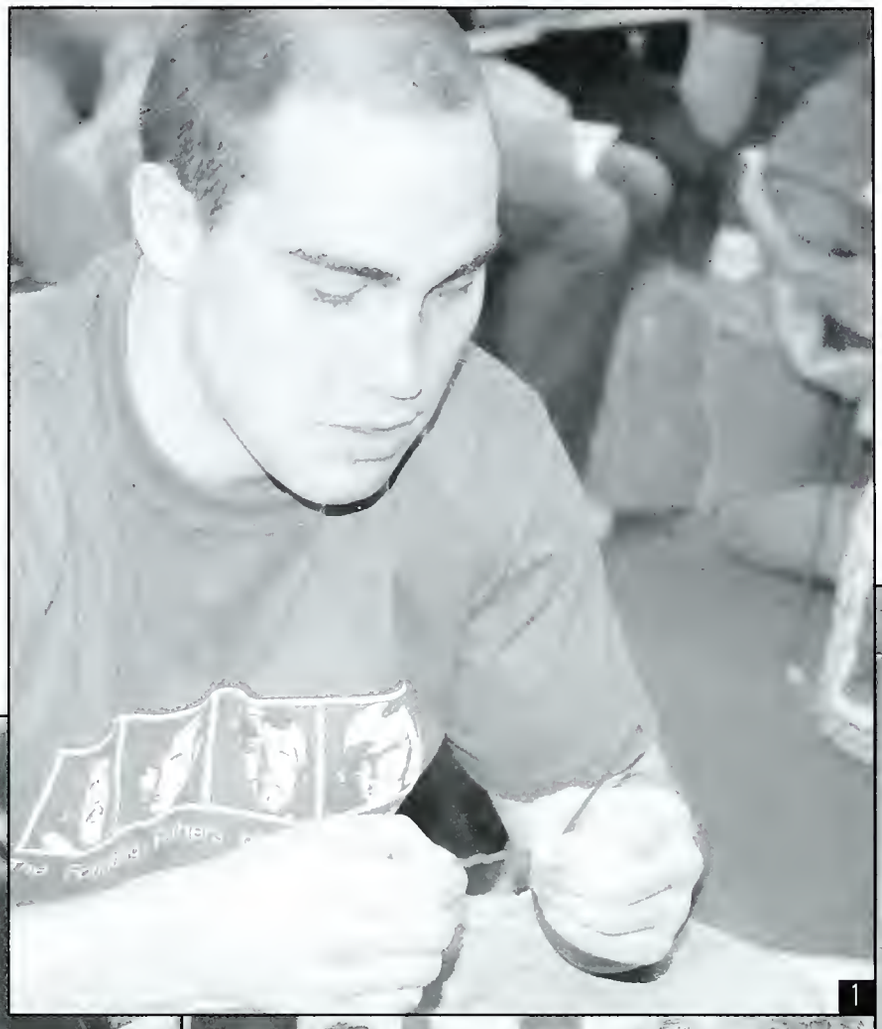
Kristen Todt

1 Sophomore Nathan McCauley gives a presentation to his Artificial Intelligence class.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

2 Freshman Jonathan Goble works with a partner for a "hands on learning" experience with 4D objects for Investigations in Mathematics.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

3 Freshman Chad Edwards and junior Katie James create tetrahedrons in Investigation in Mathematics.
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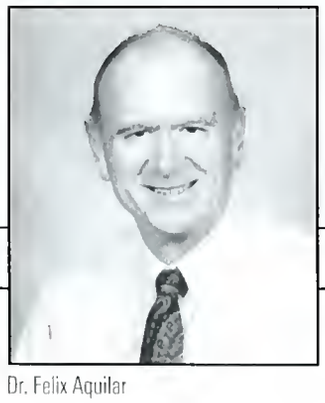
4 Junior Joshua Crawford listens to his peers give presentations in Artificial Intelligence class.
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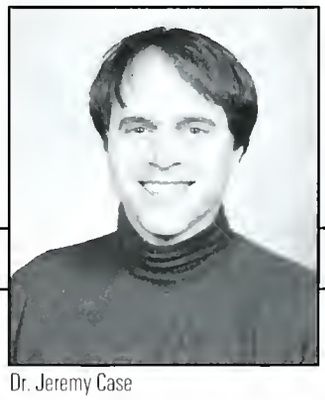




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Mr. Noah Sheppard
Dr. William E. Toll
Dr. Arthur White
Dr. Ronald Benbow
Dr. Matt DeLong
Patty Erickson
Dr. William Klinger
Dr. David Neuhouser
Donna J. Toll


Dr. Felix Aquilar


Dr. Stefan Brandle


Dr. Jeremy Case


Dr. Mark Colgan

PROBLEM SOLVING

Mathematics, Computer and System Sciences



CSS: The Computer Science/Systems curriculum at Taylor starts students off running. After my freshmen year I wrote a piece of software called BloodStat and began a company to market and sell it. The department backed my efforts to create powerful blood reporting software for physicians and allowed me to receive academic credit as well. The two most significant contributions the department made to my efforts, my practicum and experimental software engineering project courses, occurred in the past year. The department allowed me to work on Bloodstat during last summer for my practicum, which was critical to the development of the company. It was through this joint effort of the CSS department and the Center for Research and Innovation that I was able to develop the third major release version of the software. As an experimental effort to take on real-world projects that would eventually produce revenue for the department, a two-semester software engineering project was tested. During these two semesters I had the opportunity to lead a team of Joanna LaForge and Nate Williams in an effort to create an online version of BloodStat. With experiences like these, it is impossible to deny the practical application offered by the CSS department. I am proud to have been a part of it. -Matt Strehl

Mathematics: One of the things I love about the math department at Taylor is the family atmosphere. Spending hours working together on impossibly long assignments forges a bond of solidarity in our nerd-iness. On March 14th, officially known as Pi Day (the number 3.14159..., not the fruity dessert), my class gathered for Linear Algebra at 2:00. We watched the clock tick down closer and closer to the magical (or mathematical) time, and at exactly 1:59, a classmate recited the first 100 digits of pi from memory as the rest of the class cheered him on. Despite the difficult classes and the insane workloads placed on us by our dear professors, I have loved every minute of belonging to the math department and knowing the people there. -Anna Hampton



Dr. Ken Constantine



Jeff Cramer



Dr. Jonathan Geisler



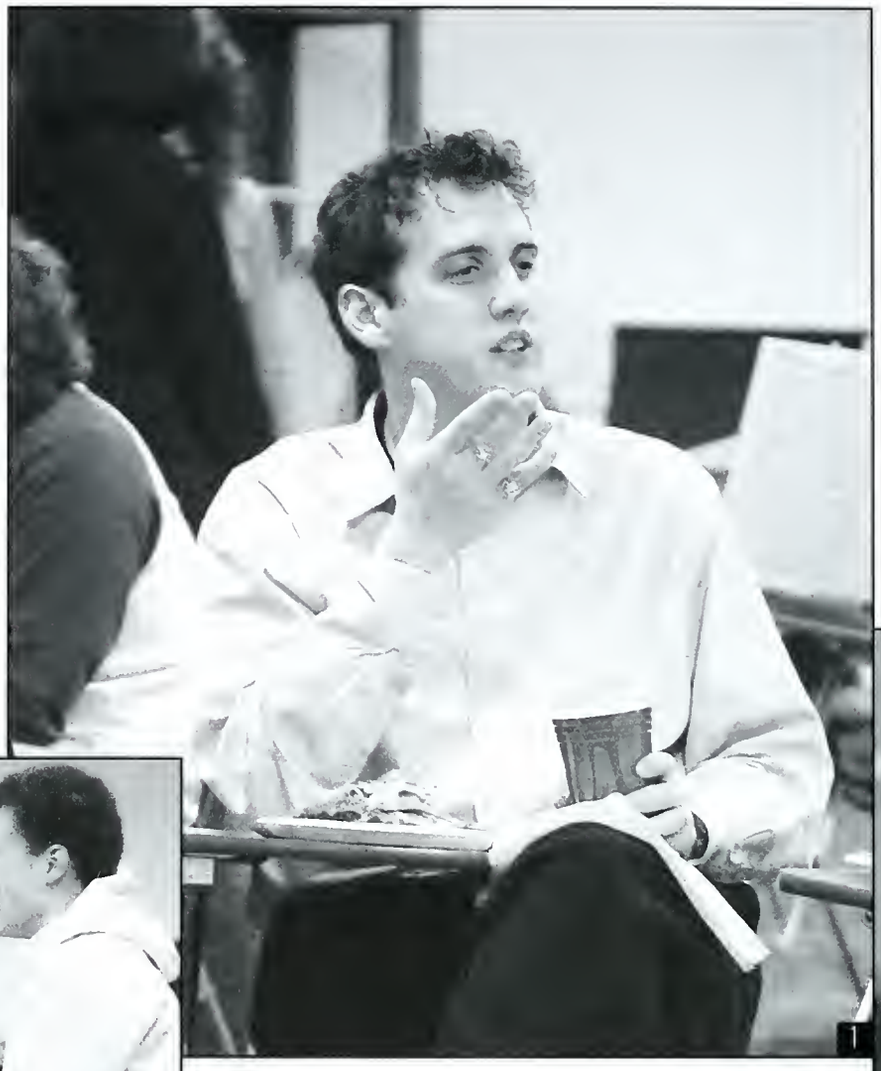
Dr. Ronald Benbow

1 Professor Scott Moeschberger speaks with students over pizza and pop at a psych club meeting.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Junior psychology majors Julie Fishbein and Alex Fillmore have a good time conversing at one of the psychology department's many events.
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3 Sophomore Kristina Satern and senior Mekael Teshome talk during Dr. Hoffmann's course on Christian Political Thought.
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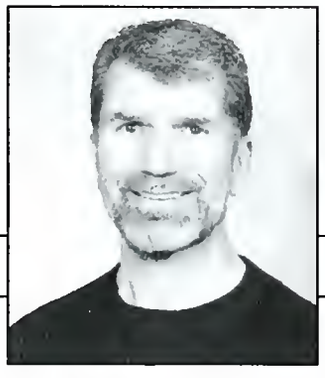
4 Professor Philip Loy speaks to a group of Taylor students interested in learning more about domestic security.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith


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Dr. Vance Maloney
Scott Moeschberger


Dr. Mark Cosgrove


Dr. Diane Dungan


Dr.Tim Herrmann

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Political Science, Psychology



POLITICAL SCIENCE: How should a Christian integrate his/her faith with politics? Some argue that the two are incompatible. Some might say that faith, if real, must impact everything in life, including politics. There is not an easy resolution to this issue, but the Taylor University Political Science Department challenges students to think critically about this issue and a host of others facing our generation. It will be up to us to direct policy and make decisions concerning the AIDS crisis, global warming, debt in developing nations, abortion, same sex unions, dependence on foreign oil, and U.S. foreign policy. It is often said that an education is only as good as the instructor who leads. The Political Science Department has two very experienced and gifted professors. Professor Philip Loy's expertise is American politics, Constitutional law, and Western films. His experiences in Washington provide valuable insight into the workings of the American political process. Professor Stephen Hoffmann's expertise on international politics and foreign policy has developed from his years in the Foreign Service, most notably, in Iraq. Political Science majors end up all over the country and world, seeking to live their faith in the political world.

-Jon Teune, Brian Dunkel

PSYCHOLOGY: Where do the richest memories come from for a psychology student at Taylor? Perhaps it is sprinting across campus at 8 a.m. trying not to miss Abnormal with Dr. Snyder; perhaps it's the minute you discover that the initial's for Dr. Lund's infamous Life Span Development are, in fact, LSD; perhaps it's the engaging discussions that can only come from a class with Dr. Cosgrove or Dr. Maloney. For me, the most vivid memories came from the Advanced Research class with Dr. Diane Dungan. There were only six of us enrolled, and while it was not necessarily the most glamorous experience in the world, none of the work was in vain. I'm more prepared for graduate school than I was prior to the fall semester, but that is secondary to the relationships with Dr. Dungan and my colleagues that evolved through one-on-one meetings, class discussion, and timed competitions to see who could enter data faster at 1 in the morning.

- Kat Kelleher



Dr. Stephen Hoffmann



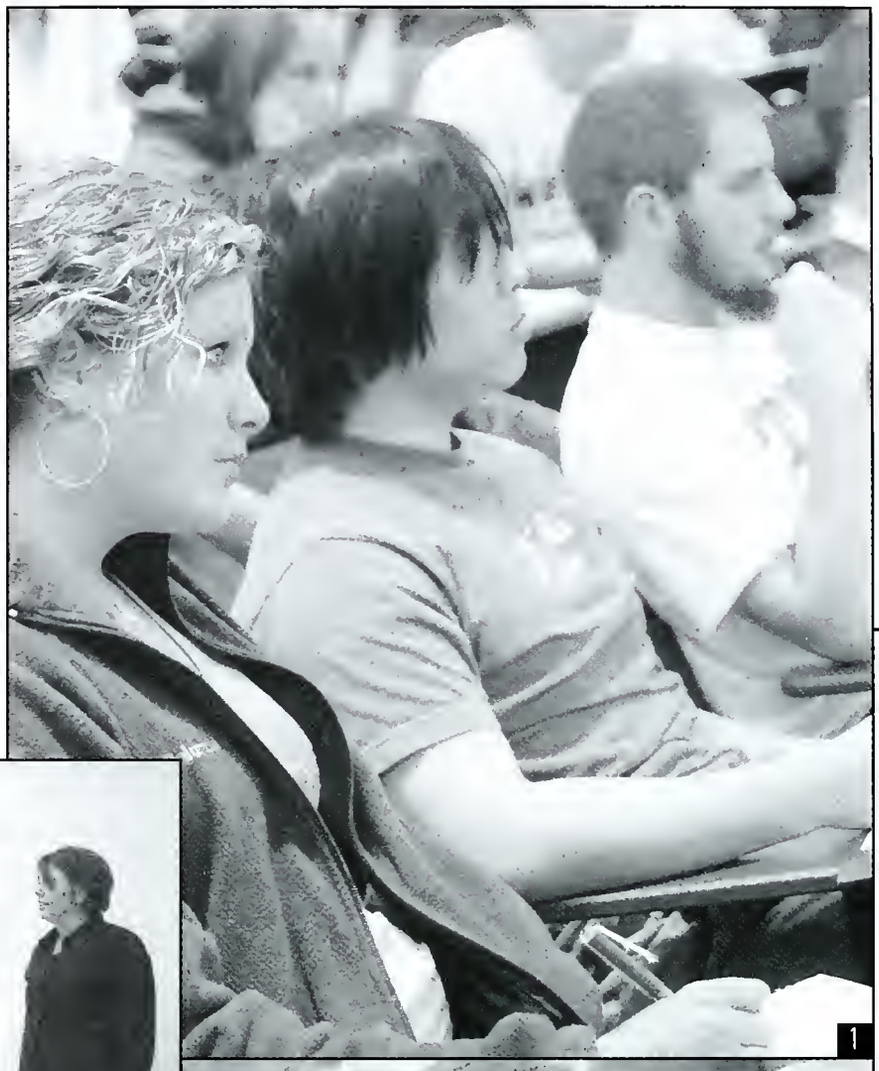
Dr. Joe Lund



Professor Philip Loy



Dr. Steve Snyder



1 Sophomores Jill Rainford, Tyler Karnes, and freshman Ben Greenman listen to Dr. Bird speak during Ethnic and Minority Issues.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

2 Junior Jason Kistler and senior Kimbra Fieldhouse give a presentation for the five students in their group for Social Research Methods class, a course that many sociology and social work majors take.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

3 Sophomore Leigh Anne Butcher takes notes off of the Power Point slide in her sociology class.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

4 Dr. Bird instructs Ethnic and Minority Issues, a popular class among students who desire to learn more about contemporary social problems.
Photo taken by Amy Wood





Not Pictured:
Michele Mallett
Dr. Steven Bird
Dr. Michael Jessup



Dr. Cathy Harner



Paul Susan



Rukshan Fernando

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Social Work, Sociology

Sociology: Much can be said about sociology and the rigorous nature of the field where integration of faith and learning pulls at one's heartstrings. To study reality within a fallen world is neither pleasant nor comforting, and without a constant reminder of God's grace my endeavors would be hopeless. Sometimes God's grace can be most poignantly seen through the actions of our professors. This past spring one of my professors showed grace when wrath was at hand. For one whole month I was supposed to be spending four to eight hours a week on my directed research. However, I kind of opted out. The day finally came when I had to face my professor empty handed. Two hours before my appointed meeting I just sat in my room staring into death's eyes. As I sat there, my roommate made light of the situation by spouting off about some biblical gem he learned; it was obvious he did not understand the severity of my present plight. After praying and taking one last breath I opened the door of my executioner's office. Just when every nerve ending was numb and every blood vessel boiling, my professor spoke. He said, "Now, Austin, I'm sure you have gotten a lot done...I mean it wasn't like you were in a play or running for SBP or taking other classes or anything like that..." After realizing he understood, I shot out of my chair and ecstatically proclaimed, "That's it." I thank God for grace. – Austin G. Bennett


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Social Work: This year the junior class attended the LEAD conference in Indianapolis. Social workers from all over the state joined together to discuss practice and policy in different aspects of the field. Following a morning full of presentations, all six hundred people were asked to march to the State House chanting things like, "Social workers have a voice, we support client choice" (our group's personal favorite). This made us a bit uncomfortable, as we are all from a small conservative Christian college in rural Indiana. Upon debriefing, I learned quickly that advocacy on behalf of any individual means more than solely having compassion and empathy. What may seem like liberal chaos and foolishness to me may very easily be an incredible source of empowerment for someone else. This has been the consistent story of my year in social work—a constant battle between the ideals I claimed as a child and the realities of oppression that I have witnessed since beginning at Taylor. The study of helping people can never be easy and is certainly not black and white, but understanding the inherent worth of every individual and learning how to help them to see that, too, is what is so beautiful about the intensity of the process . . . it is nothing more than attempting to fulfill the demands of our Lord and loving it. -Tracy Yoder


Sharon Gray



1 English Professor Joe Ricke takes advantage of a beautiful Upland day and teaches his Shakespeare class outdoors for a change of pace.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Music students enjoy presenting the Cosi Fan Tutti opera to the local community. For the second year in a row, the music department undertook the planning and production of an opera to give students a taste of culture.
Photo taken by Amy Wood

3 Communication Arts Professor Kathy Bruner talks to a group about project SINBAD, a training video that students shot and edited for the Department of Homeland Security. More than 20 students were involved in the project filmed in southern Indiana.
Photo taken by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Senior Megan Elder discusses her experience in the Irish studies program with fellow students in the Rice Lounge at the library. For the first time this year, several freshmen spent their first semester in Ireland.
Photo taken by Amy Wood





ACADEMICS

More than the classroom . . .



When prospective students visit Taylor University, most often they like to sit in on a class to see how the professors teach and interact with the students. On any given day, a prospective might find a variety of classroom situations . . . from Professor Joe Ricke teaching class outside to students gathering in the library lounge to discuss their Irish studies experience.

After a day's visit to Taylor, many prospectives are impressed with the friendliness of students, staff and faculty. They meet one on one with professors to determine whether the school fits their needs academically, and they stay in the dorms to see what Taylor's social life is all about. What they often learn about Taylor is that we are who we are because of the community . . . academics intertwined with social intertwined with spiritual intertwined with cultural. And, frequently they are impressed with those professors who take their classes "above and beyond." For example, students in the sciences were involved with the "Vomit Comet," students in communication new media worked with the Department of Homeland Security to produce a training video, education students went out into the school systems at their earliest convenience to determine whether or not teaching was really for them . . . and the list goes on.

Taylor is definitely an academic community. Involved in that is a community of qualified, committed Christian faculty striving to give students the best academic experience possible to prepare them for their journey after graduation.



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Each athletic event is a venture, teaching us about our strengths and weaknesses. The final destination is to learn joy through both victory and defeat.

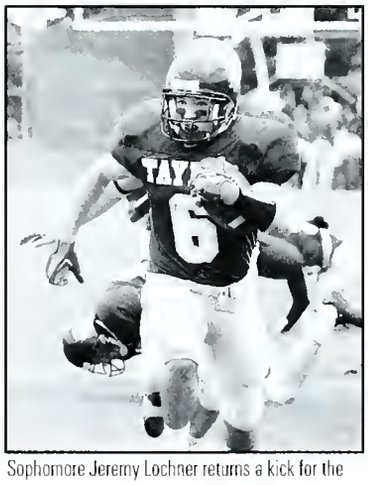
FOOTBALL



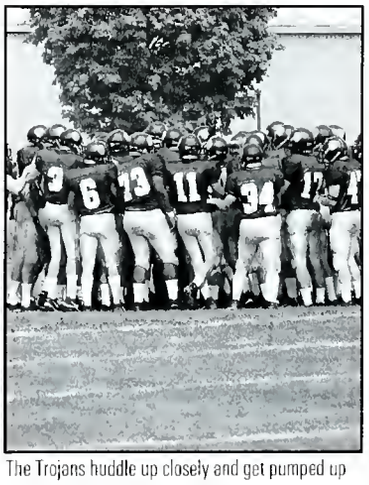
Trojan running back, sophomore Anthony Lee Jr., runs up the middle for a few tough yards against Anderson University on opening weekend at Jim Wheeler Memorial Stadium. Taylor lost the annual "Wagon Wheel" Game, 14-52.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Quarterback, senior Wes Krider, rushes the ball down the sideline against Anderson. Krider threw for 184 yards on the day.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Jeremy Lochner returns a kick for the Trojans. Lochner led the Trojans in kick return yardage with a 23.4 yards/return average.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



The Trojans huddle up closely and get pumped up before the start of a big game against conference rival, Urbana
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

TEAM LEADERS >> Passing: ***Wes Krider,*** 1585 yards >> Rushing: ***Anthony Lee Jr,*** 624 yards



1 Tight end, junior Josh Brennan, reaches for a pass against Urbana. Brennan led all tight ends with 3 touchdowns and 312 yards receiving.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



2 A Trojan ballcarrier streaks down the sideline as several Anderson defenders close in around him.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 The Trojan fans cheer their hearts out in hopes of a Taylor victory while adorned in the "Game Day" t-shirts.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Senior defensive back, Matt Carmichael, runs back a kickoff against Anderson.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith





On November 5, we traveled to Canton, Ohio, to play Malone College. What ensued was an epic battle which tested the mental fortitude of all involved. Early on in the game we found ourselves trailing by two touchdowns. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." The team responded to this challenge as we battled our way back into the game. Finally, as the fourth quarter drew to a close, the defense came up with a key stop giving the offense one last opportunity to even the score. The offense promptly marched the length of the field and scored; with only a two-point conversion left to cap what can only be described as an incredible comeback. However, fate's hand was revealed as the two-point attempt failed with just thirty ticks left on the clock. While the end result did not align with the desire or effort put forth in the game, the response to adversity and individual performance shined through.

-Wes Krider

Receiving: ***Sterling Price***, 553 yards >> Tackles: ***Paul Passiales***, 66

SCOREBOARD

Anderson	14-52
William Penn	22-25
St. Ambrose	7-56
Quincy	19-26
Urbana	17-30
Walsh	14-45
St. Francis	0-55
Geneva	0-42
Malone	32-34
Ohio Dominican	34-42

overall: 0-10 **conference**: 0-7

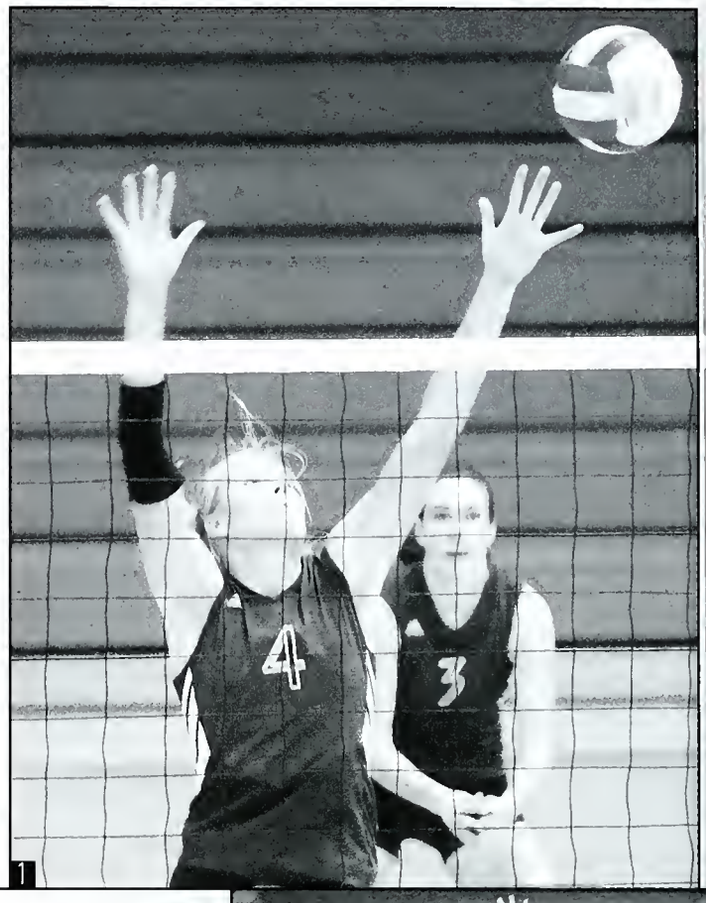
SCOREBOARD

Concordia	3-1
Olivet Nazarene	2-3
Westmont	0-3
Embry Riddle	3-0
UM-Dearborn	3-2
IU-Southeast	1-3
Bethel	2-3
Siena Heights	3-0
Cedarville	1-3
Indiana Tech	3-0
Trinity International	3-1
St. Xavier	3-1
Trinity Christian	3-1
St. Joe's Calumet	3-0
Spring Arbor	0-3
Manchester	3-1
Huntington	1-3
Graceland	0-3
Trinity Christian	3-1
Lindenwood	0-3
Goshen	3-0
Aquinas	3-1
King	3-1
IU-Springfield	3-0
Aquinas	0-3
St. Joseph's	3-2
Marian	3-2
St. Francis	0-3
Oakland City	3-0
Indiana Wesleyan	3-0
Trevecca Nazarene	3-0
Huntington	2-3
Bethel	1-3
St. Francis (Illinois)	3-2
Aquinas	3-1
Waldorf	1-3
Madonna	0-3
Indiana Wesleyan	1-3
Grace	2-3
Olivet Nazarene	0-3
Ozarks	0-3
UM-Dearborn	3-1

MCC Tournament

Indiana Wesleyan	2-3

overall: 22-21 **conference**: 2-6



1 Freshman outside hitter, Jennifer Peterson, looks to get the block. Peterson was second on the team with 140 blocks.
Photo by Amy Wood

2 First year head coach, alumnus Brittany Huyser Smith, challenges her team in the huddle as freshman Jennifer Peterson looks on. Smith was a first team all-american when she was a senior for the Lady Trojans.
Photo by DJ Horton

3 Defensive specialist, freshman Jaime Allen, and sophomore outside hitter, Emilie York, both look to score a block.
Photo by Amy Wood





When you are part of a team with the average height of about six feet, you learn quickly that you are always noticed! Some people might find it embarrassing, but our team never minded a bit. The night that I will always remember actually took place because we weren't able to go unnoticed in a crowd in Phoenix, Arizona. We were in Phoenix for our first tournament and during the week we spent a lot of time doing team bonding activities. One night our team sat on the courthouse steps and watched a group of line dancers in the city square. We were enjoying the entertainment because it was a beautiful night, the country music fit our style, and the dancers were actually really skilled. Exhausted, we sat down with full intentions of enjoying the show...but little did we know that soon we would be the show! Ten minutes after we sat down we were all discussing how much fun it would be to be talented at something like line dancing. As if the caller heard our discussion, she announced that the next dance would be a participation dance and she wanted everyone to join them. Not sure if we actually wanted to embarrass ourselves, we all sat there until the lady added, "especially that group of young ladies on the steps." Some of us looked around to see who she was talking about, but then we realized she was referring to our team. Without much hesitation, we decided to take our place with the rest of the group to learn some line dances! Our coaches thought it was hysterical, the community loved our participation, and of course we had a fabulous time. We ended up learning a few dances before we decided that although we were quite talented in Arizona line dancing, it would be good for us to stick with something we knew better; volleyball.

-Emily Dye

TEAM LEADERS >> Kills: *Arlene Friesen*, 475 >>

VOLLEYBALL





Senior libero Emily Dye prepares to return a serve. Dye moved up to second on the all-time digs leaders in Taylor's history. She passed her head coach, Brittany Huyser- Smith in her last game of the season, tallying 2254 career digs over her 634 games.

Photo by DJ Horton



Outside hitters, sophomore Doris Mvano and freshman Ashlee Zeigler, prepare for the upcoming serve.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Emilie York rises up to block a spike by an Aquinas opponent. York led the team with an average of 1.13 blocks per game.

Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Emily Dye prepares for the dig. Dye was second on the team with 743 digs on the season.

Photo by Amy Wood

Assists: ***Jaime Allen***, 2675 >> Blocks: ***Emilie York***, 184 >> Digs: ***Arlene Friesen***, 757

MEN'S SOCCER





Freshman defenders, Nathan Toldt and Joe Voldrich, battle with a Madonna attacker. Taylor's freshmen class were huge contributors on the field this year with four of them earning starting positions.

Photo by Amy Wood



Midfielder, freshman Jonathon Hughes, looks to pass around a defender. Hughes was second team all-conference in his first year wearing the Trojan jersey

Photo by Amy Wood



Freshman Joe Voldrich looks to beat a defender around the outside. The Trojan defense had seven games in which they held opponents to one goal or less.

Photo by Amy Wood



Sophomore goalkeeper Benji Petrolje looks to distribute the ball. Petrolje had a 1.88 goals against average and was named MCC player of the week for his clutch performances against Bethel and Earlham.

Photo by Amy Wood

TEAM LEADERS >> Goals: *Jake Edgerton*, 7 >> Assists: *Nathan Miller*, 5



1 Sophomore midfielder, Nate Miller, fights off a Madonna forward. Miller was third on the team in total points with 10 and was named second team all-conference.
Photo by Amy Wood



2 Junior John Hornaday dribbles past a defender. Hornaday was tied for fourth on the team in scoring with three goals.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Senior Ben DeBock lines up his cross. DeBock and Jeff Brooke were the lone seniors on this year's team.
Photo by Amy Wood

4 Senior Jeff Brooke dribbles through several opponents on his way to one of his six goals. Brooke was named all conference, all region, and honorable mention all-american for his efforts on the pitch.
Photo by Amy Wood



I began to sense the feeling of the season that we would have in a place far from our usual home field in Upland, Indiana. The soccer team and I found ourselves in Ireland, working with the youth and trying to explain the gospel message through the vehicle of soccer. We worked together, washed dishes, mopped floors, laughed, quizzed Coach Ross on life with a wife, and competed against the rugged men of Ireland. In the midst of passing out New Testaments and T-shirts, our team grew much closer as our friendships and ministry opportunities seemed a bit more important than soccer. The transition back to the states was one filled with hard work and heat, as pre-camp proved to be just as difficult as years past.

As the season progressed we found ourselves on a roller coaster, one filled with short winning streaks and important games. One of these important games was against our conference rival, Marian. The team that would eventually win our conference tournament came to campus and lost due to our hot shooting and a stellar goalkeeping effort from Benj Petroelje. This 4-2 victory was a highlight because it proved that we were able to play with anyone despite the struggle of having four players go down with broken bones on what was already a small roster.

- Jeff Brooke

Total Points: ***Jeff Brooke***, 17 >> Saves: ***Benj Petrolje***, 91

SCOREBOARD

Brescia	1-4
Edgewood	2-1
Rochester	2-0
Aquinas	3-1
Madonna	1-3
William Penn	4-2
Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1-2
Earlham	2-1
Goshen	0-3
Grace	2-1
Huntington	4-0
Indiana Wesleyan	2-6
Marian	4-2
St. Francis	0-1
Olivet Nazarene	1-4

MCC Tournament

Indiana Wesleyan	1-2

overall: 9-8-1 **conference**: 3-3



1 The Lady Trojans line up for the National Anthem before the game begins. The Trojans featured only four seniors on their roster.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



2 Sophomore Julie Beck celebrates after netting one of her two goals on the season. Beck was third on the team in total points despite missing four games due to an injury.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Senior midfielder, Melissa Willard, splits the defense and heads towards the goal. Willard had five goals on the season and also led the team with three assists.
Photo by Amy Wood

4 Jillian Burkhart, a freshman defender, lines up a shot.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith





SCOREBOARD

Trinity Christian	1-3
Trinity International	0-5
Mt. Vernon Nazarene	4-3
Geneva	6-2
Seton Hill	1-3
Cedarville	1-3
Aquinas	0-4
Cornerstone	0-1
Anderson	4-1
Spring Arbor	1-2
Marian	2-1
Goshen	1-0
Judson	0-2
Grace	3-3
Huntington	1-3
St. Francis	1-3
Indiana Wesleyan	0-2
Bethel	2-3

MCC Tournament

Spring Arbor	(PK)	1-0
St. Francis		1-6

overall: 6-13-1 **conference**: 2-5-1

It was the first round of the MCC conference tournament and the odds were against us. We were headed to battle Spring Arbor University—a team we had lost to earlier in the season. I think deep down the majority of the team was pretty skeptical, but the moment we stepped on the field, our demeanor changed. The music was blaring and had our adrenaline rushing. Our hearts and minds prepared for battle. The game began and it was a very tight contest to the end. Our shots didn't go in, but neither did theirs. Our defense smothered Spring Arbor, setting the pace the entire game. We shut them down, which ended the first 90 minutes in a tie—0-0. This sent us into overtime and once again no team scored. Our second overtime came and the battle was just as brutal yet still no team scored. This forced us into penalty kicks. Jackie Sanchez, our freshman goalie, was nervous about this situation; yet her face showed no fear and her demeanor was one of confidence. After a number of anxious shots, our team outscored the Cougars 8-7. Sanchez stopped three shots to give us a victory I will never forget. Our team rushed to the field, jumping around Jackie, grabbing each other in celebration of our victory. There were tears of joy and from the other team—tears of sadness. We had beat Spring Arbor University and we were headed to the semifinal round of the MCC Conference Tournament.

- Melissa Willard

TEAM LEADERS >> Assists: ***Amanda Harsy, Melissa Willard,*** 3

WOMEN'S SOCCER





Senior Melissa Willard dribbles around a defender. Willard was second on the team with 13 total points and, as a senior, her presence will be missed next season.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Mackenzie Doepke beats an opponent around the outside. Doepke was a key contributor in the midfield for the Trojans.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Ashlee Lanphear, sophomore, makes a sharp cut and looks to cross the ball into the middle.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Amanda Harsy passes the ball to a teammate. Harsy was named to the first team, all-conference team for the Lady Trojans. It was her second straight all-conference nomination.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Goals: ***Amanda Harsy***, 7 >> Saves: ***Jackie Sanchez***, 82 >> Total Points: ***Amanda Harsy***, 17

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY





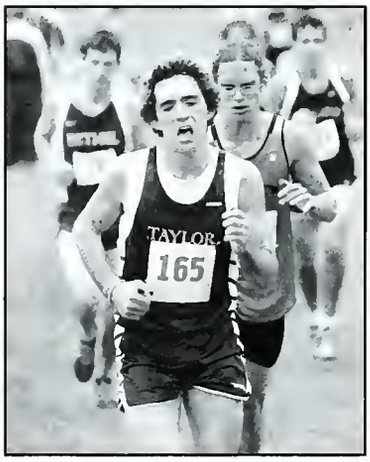
Lance Vanderberg (169) and Josh Edgerton (162) look to set the pace at the Mid-Central Conference Championships. Vanderberg led the Trojans with a third-place finish in this race.

Photo by Jim Garringer



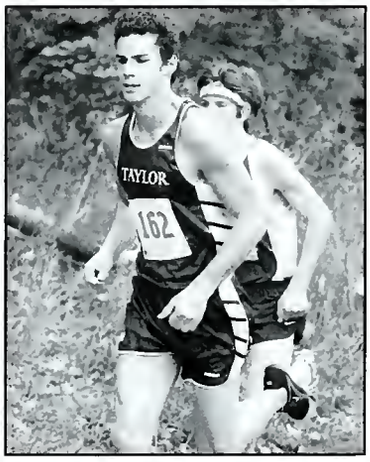
A Bethel runner looks to challenge sophomore Drew Smith. Smith had a strong showing at the Little State Championship, finishing 68th overall.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Freshman Chris Leman gasps for air while pushing himself on in the MCC Championship race. Leman repeatedly scored points for the Trojans during the season.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Senior Josh Edgerton paces himself as an opponent pushes him on. Edgerton was named an NAIA Scholar Athlete for his success both on the Cross Country course and in the classroom.

Photo by Jim Garringer



1 Senior Lance Vanderberg legs it out down the home-stretch. Vanderberg had an outstanding season, leading the Trojans in every match and also placing 7th in the nation in the NAIA National Championships, which earned him All-American honors.
Photo by Jim Garringer



2 Andrew Brooks, one of four seniors on this year's squad, gains ground on several inter-conference opponents..
Photo by Jim Garringer

3 Freshman Braxton Fritz focuses amidst a tight crowd at the starting line. Fritz helped the Trojans out with a strong performance at the NAIA Region VII Championships with a 23rd-place finish.
Photo by Jim Garringer

4 Michael Short, a senior from Richmond, Kentucky, looks to separate from the pack.
Photo by Jim Garringer





A collegiate cross country course is 8,000 meters long. That's roughly five miles of ›ain and intense competition. The first mile in the race demands strategy. The last mile lemands pure heart and guts. Why? To begin with; your vision is blurred and your lungs .re burning. Your legs feel like a thousand pounds, but you have no choice but to move hem faster. The finish line appears in the distance, but the best part of the race is just ›eginning if someone is challenging you in those final moments. For a meet like the Mid-Central Conference Championships where every point counts, you absolutely cannot ıfford to lose to whoever it is that wants to take the race away from you. You've come oo far for that. In moments like these, the true essence of Taylor cross country becomes ıpparent.

Although missing a bid to nationals as a team by the slimmest of margins, meets such :s the Mid-Central Conference Championships showed what we were all about. Placing hird overall behind two nationally ranked teams, the Jarheads (our team's nickname) ›roduced three All-Conference performances (Lance Vanderberg, Braxton Fritz, and Josh Edgerton) and showed once again that Taylor is capable of competing at the top level of NAIA competition. Defeating challenger Marian by only four points, the team's gutsy ›erformance at this meet was characterized by three of the above-described sprint fin-shes. These individual victories greatly affected team scoring and made a statement that he Jarheads won't back down from anyone.

-Lance Vanderberg

RESULTS

Defiant Invitational	1st
Indiana Championships	6th
Louisville Classic	26th
Huntington Invitational	2nd
IWU Invitational	4th
MCC Championships	3rd
NAIA Region 8 Championships	4th
NCCAA Championships	5th
NAIA National Championships	7th



1 Sophomore Elise Knapp strides down a hill as her opponents try to make up ground. Knapp was consistently one of the top scorers for the Lady Trojans this season.
Photo by Jim Garringer

2 Junior Laura York pushes out her stride. York had a tremendous season, setting the Indiana Wesleyan course record and receiving All-Conference, All-Region and All-American honors. York placed 11th in the nation in the NAIA National Championships.
Photo by Jim Garringer

3 Laura York sets the pace at the Mid-Central Conference Championships. York finished second in the race with a time of 18:17.
Photo by Jim Garringer

4 Freshman Rebecca Clouse stretches in preparation for a race. Clouse placed ninth in the Huntington Invitational.
Photo by Jim Garringer





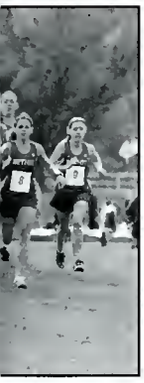


Cross country is a sport that leaves you with memories. Who will ever forget the dreaded dunes? This was my first year running collegiate cross country and I was unsure of what to expect, but was ready to tackle any challenge I was faced with. The cross country team had a week-long preseason camp that took place in Michigan, where we ran on several trails and running paths. I was warned at the beginning of the week that none would compare to our final work-out at the Indiana dunes. They're just exaggerating, I thought to myself. But sure enough, they weren't lying. Imagine taking one step only to lose half of it because there is no real foothold on the dunes. It is like one of those dreams where it feels like you can't move. However, that work-out was encouraging on various levels. First, we all gained the satisfaction and joy of seeing ourselves do what we thought might be impossible. And second, we were able to see the team pull together and push each other when it got hard. In fact, we all ran the last dune together as a team and finished strong, cheering each other along. Oh, the dunes. Coach Cinders helps us to grasp and understand the full meaning of running by constantly impressing on us that running is a form of worship. Worship is merely an offering, or sacrifice, that we bring to God for His glory and honor. I have been challenged more than ever to make running my form of worship and to use my legs to bring him honor. Eric Little says it best in Chariots of Fire: "When I run, I feel His pleasure."
-Juli Erickson

RESULTS

Defiant Invitational	2nd
Indiana Championships	6th
Louisville Classic	19th
Huntington Invitational	1st
IWU Invitational	6th
MCC Championships	4th
NAIA Region 8 Championships	5th
NCCAA Championships	8th
NAIA National Championships	11th

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY





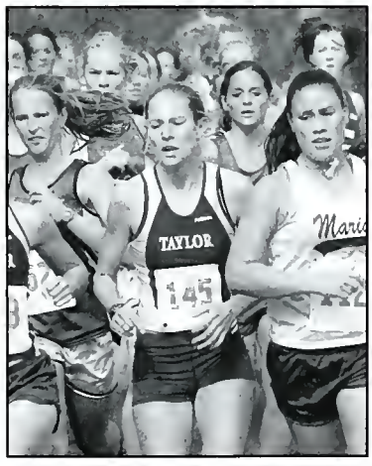
Sophomore Amy Brown pushes herself in an attempt to separate herself from the pack. Teammate Tabitha Grubb paces herself behind Brown

Photo by Jim Garringer



Freshman Hannah Tabb stays remains focused on the course. Tabb looks to be a key contributor on next year's squad.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Despite the tight crowde, Senior Carolyn Betteridge attempts to distance herself from the pack. Betteridge was one of two seniors on the team this season.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Senior Kari Olson sprints down the homestretch while an opponent closes in. Olson frequently placed highly for the Trojans this year.

Photo by Jim Garringer

MEN'S TENNIS



Top doubles combination, sophomores Greg Branda and Jorge Burmicky, battle it out in conference play. The future looks bright for the Trojans led by these two young stars.

Photo by Ian Kee



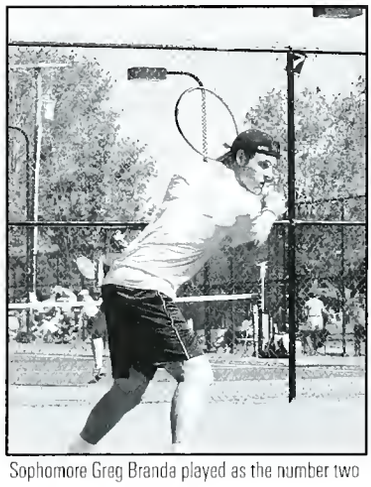
Sophomore Andrew Miller cracked the starting lineup as the number five singles player this season.

Photo by Ian Kee



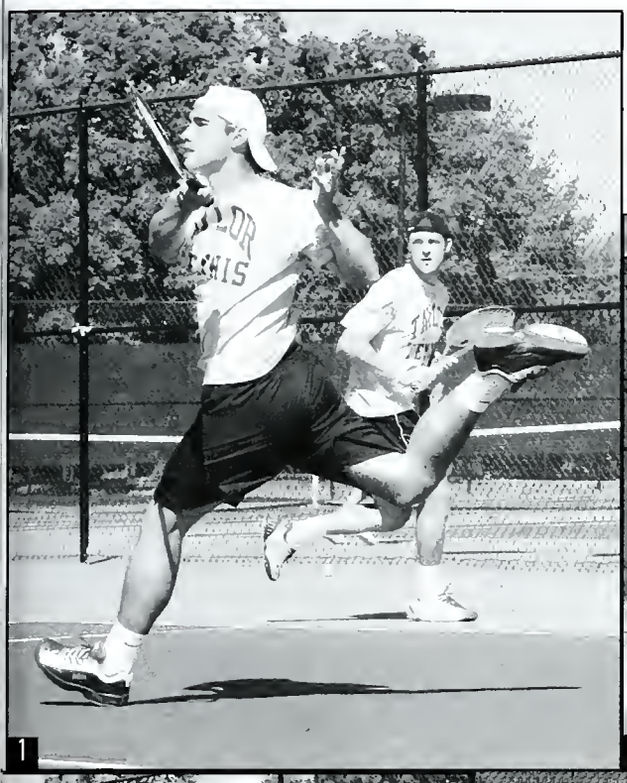
Sophomore Kyle Brown teamed up with senior Scott Schmeissing to win the MCC championship this season.

Photo by Amy Wood



Sophomore Greg Branda played as the number two in singles and played on the Trojans top doubles combination.

Photo by Amy Wood



1 Sophomore Jorge Burmicky solidly strikes a forehand return. Burmicky was named first team all-conference in the MCC.

Photo by Amy Wood



2 Sophomore Kyle Brown eyes a serve and looks to return it back over the net.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

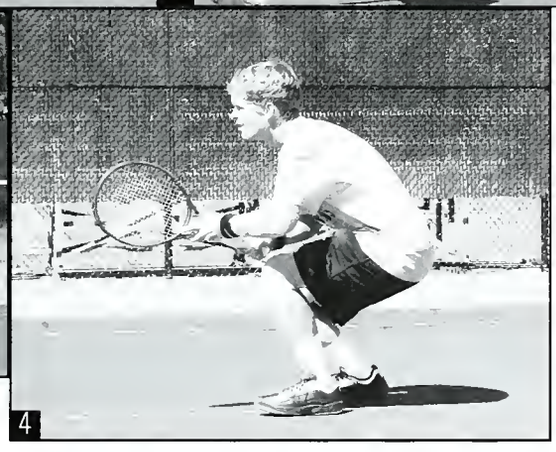
3 Jorge Burmicky, the Trojans sophomore ace, looks to make a tough backhanded shot across the net.

Photo by Ian Kee

4 Junior Stephan Leman prepares to return a serve. Leaman played the number six in singles play for the Trojans.

Photo by Amy Wood





This young team ran into the harsh realities of competition early on the season with some close losses and disappointing finishes. Momentum grew as the season progressed. Entering the conference tournament, the Trojans had secured the fifth seed in a hotly contested, regular season race. Not many expected much from this young and improving team in the conference tournament. The skeptics were forced to eat their words as Taylor battled through the first two days of the tourney. Once the dust cleared after day two, the Trojans were tied for second in the tournament and had one more day to prove to themselves that the season was not for loss. Scott Schmeissing, Stephan Leman, and Greg Branda all advanced to the championship day of singles play. Schmeissing and his doubles partner, Kyle Brown, were in the championship in doubles. All the Trojans fought hard on this last day, but in the end, the team finished fourth in the tournament, one spot away from advancing to regional play in the Spring. Not all was lost on the last day, though. Scott Schmeissing won his singles match and teamed with Kyle Brown to win a doubles championship. Schmeissing had never won a championship in the conference tournament, but this time through he didn't lose a match. He showed a young team what can come from heart and dedication. Many lessons were learned, and some mistakes were made, but in the end the team learned a lesson in perseverance that will live on in the Taylor men's tennis program for many years to come.

-Ben Billman

SCOREBOARD

Bethel	3-6
Olivet Nazarene	0-9
Marian	4-5
Spring Arbor	4-5
Huntington	6-3
Cedarville	8-1
Grace	8-1
Indiana Wesleyan	1-8
Earlham	9-0
University of Indianapolis	0-9
Goshen	9-0

MCC Tournament

4th Place

overall: 5-6 **conference**: 3-4



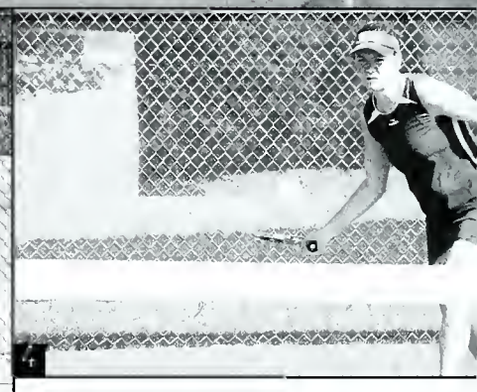
1 Sophomore Kelly Pence follows through on a forehand. Pence went 5-1 in singles conference play this season.
Photo by Amy Wood



2 Twin sisters, seniors Lindsey and Leslie Davis, played together as the number two doubles combination for the Lady Trojans this season.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



3 Freshman Kelly King lunges for a volley. King was the only freshman to crack the starting lineup. She, along with sophomore Kristine Bollinger, formed the Trojans number three doubles team.
Photo by Amy Wood



4 Senior ace, Katie Clark, returns a serve. Clark and sophomore Kelly Pence won the MCC doubles championship 1-6, 7-5, 6-4.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

SCOREBOARD

Bethel	4-5
Olivet Nazarene	2-7
Marian	6-3
Anderson	8-1
Spring Arbor	8-1
Huntington	7-2
St. Francis	7-2
Grace	8-1
Indiana Wesleyan	8-1
Earlham	9-0
Franklin	7-2
Goshen	7-2

MCC Tournament

2nd Place

overall: 9-3 **conference**: 6-2

Can you remember a time when you finally beat your rival? Throughout my four years of college tennis, Indiana Wesleyan (IWU) has always been both the team's and my personal rival. It never fails that Taylor ends up playing IWU in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association's (ITA) regional tournament. Then we play again during the regular season and one more time, just for fun, in the Mid-Central Conference tournament. Furthermore, I have been playing the same girls all four years–three times a season in both the fall and the spring. Every time I have great anticipation before the match, but usually finish defeated. This year, however, was a different story.

Just as usual, my doubles partner, Kelly Pence, and I played IWU in the finals of the ITA regional tournament and fell 6-8 in a very close and tough match. However, during the regular season, we were able to prove to IWU that we were also able to win, which we did, 8-6. We were tied 1-1 when it came to the finals of the MCC conference tournament. It was an extremely cold day for the finals, but it always is in October. The stands were full; my parents and several friends from Taylor came to support me. Kelly and I started off extremely slow and fell in the first set, 6-1. I almost didn't think it was possible to come back, but we fought hard in the second set and won 7-5. I could not believe we split sets! The third set was close and we won 6-4. I was so excited and this was a great way to end my senior year season! I will never forget this match and it was undoubtedly one of my greatest victories !

-Katie Clark

WOMEN'S TENNIS



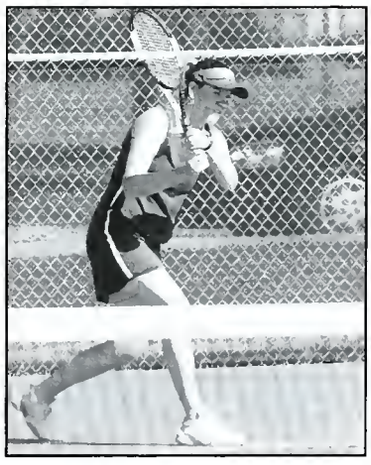
Sophomore Kelly Pence returns a serve. Pence played in the number two slot all season and also teamed up with senior Katie Clark to form Taylor's top doubles tandem.
Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Lindsey Davis plays a tough backhand back across the net. Davis contributed this year as the Trojan's number five.
Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Leslie Davis reaches to return a serve. Davis won two matches on her way to the MCC singles championship, but faltered just short of the championship game.
Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Katie Clark vollies a ball back over the net. Clark has led the women's tennis team all four of her years at Taylor.
Photo by Matt Wiseman

MEN'S GOLF



Sophomore Dave Downey watches his tee-off. Downey played strongly in the Mid-Central Conference Championship, averaging an 81 over the three-match tournament, good for 24th in the conference.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Freshman Ryan Johnson strokes a putt toward the hole. Johson led the Trojans at their match at Stonehenge, shooting a 78.

Photo by Jim Garringer



The Trojans play their home matches at Walnut Creek Golf Club, which is conveniently located just a few miles from campus.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Senior Ross Bowen watches as his drive soars down the middle of the fairway. Bowen was one of two seniors to anchor the Trojans squad this year.

Photo by Jim Garringer



1 Freshman Paul Connors lines up a putt. Connors led the Trojans at the University of Indianapolis Invitational, scoring an 80.
Photo by Jim Garringer

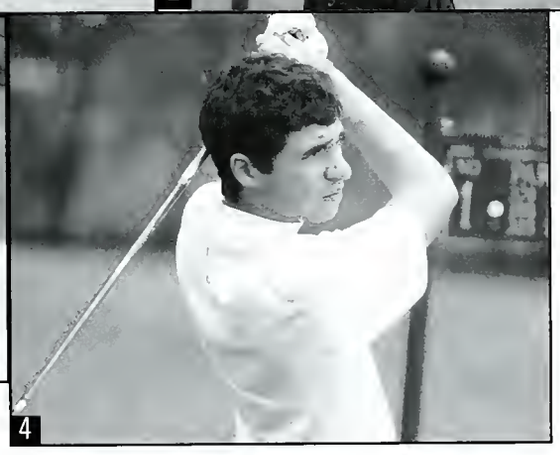


2 Senior Stephen Downey eyes up his drive. Downey, along with Ross Bowen, were the lone seniors on this year's team.
Photo by Jim Garringer

3 Coach Jon R. Ochs and Stephen Downey analyze the Trojans' play. Ochs has been the head coach at Taylor since 2003 and is a Taylor graduate.
Photo by Jim Garringer

4 Freshman Ty Luther gazes out into the fairway to pick up his drive. Luther was a huge lift to the Trojans this year, leading the team in scoring at the NAIA Region VII Tournament at Rock Hollow Golf Course in Peru, Indiana.
Photo by Jim Garringer





This season was a story of contrasting teams. We would play well one tournament and poor the next, but simply could not post consistently strong scores. A breakthrough for our team came at Meshingomesia Country Club in Marion, Ind. Many of us had played the course before and knew it well, yet our team struggled there in the past. This year was different. Our team showed up ready to play. Consistency we had lacked in many tournaments was our forté on the course during this two-day tournament. The first day was ideal for scoring and we responded by shooting a score of 309, leaving us in sixth place. In many other tournaments our team had faded the second day, wilting under pressure or adverse conditions. This was not the case this time around. We improved on our first day total of 309, to shoot a 306 on the final day, which pushed us into fifth place. What had been absent in many previous matches was prevalent in this particular tournament–consistent scoring and complete team focus. This was a breakthrough for our team because we played well under pressure and took advantage of a familiar course. The Trojans were led by Matthew Hall's two day total of 72-73 for a total of 145 which was good for third in medalist play. Freshman Ty Luther was not far behind at 152. David Downey, Paul Connors and Senior Ross Bowen contributed 160, 163 and 166 respectively. This was our best tournament of the year as a team and was the highlight of our season.
-Matthew Hall

SCOREBOARD

University of Indianapolis	10th
IWU Invitational	6th
Taylor Invitational	3rd
Bethel Invitational	4th
Grace Invitational	3rd
Huntington Invitational	4th
MCC Tournament	7th

SCOREBOARD

IU-East-West	69-53
OU Zanesville	97-34
St. Xavier	56-47
IU-South Bend	80-54
Indiana Tech	70-34
Tri-State	71-57
Purdue Calumet	66-54
Cedarville	64-80
Marian	57-48
Huntington	79-69
Bethel	62-51
Greenville	67-47
Cardinal Stritch	75-69
Doane	68-45
Daemen	60-49
Columbia	58-64
Central Methodist	60-49
Indiana Wesleyan	77-74
Grace	74-65
Goshen	51-63
Spring Arbor	89-78
St. Francis	68-65
Marian	63-58
Huntington	60-71
Bethel	65-60
Indiana Wesleyan	73-75
Grace	71-67
Goshen	49-47
Spring Arbor	63-59
St. Francis	69-62

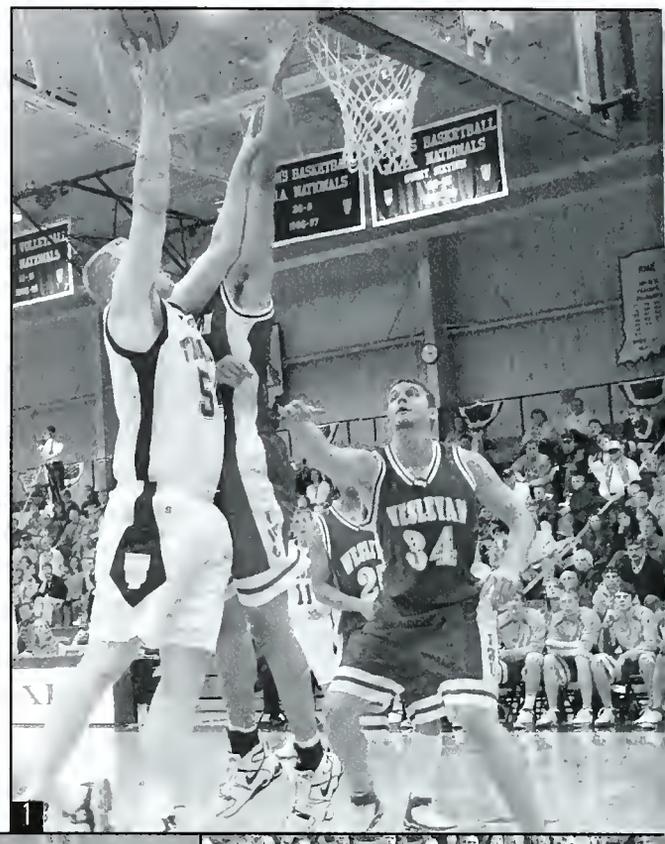
MCC Tournament

Marian	61-52
Indiana Wesleyan	72-70
Huntington	44-68

NAIA National Tournament

Aquinas	63-52
Lindenwood	71-74

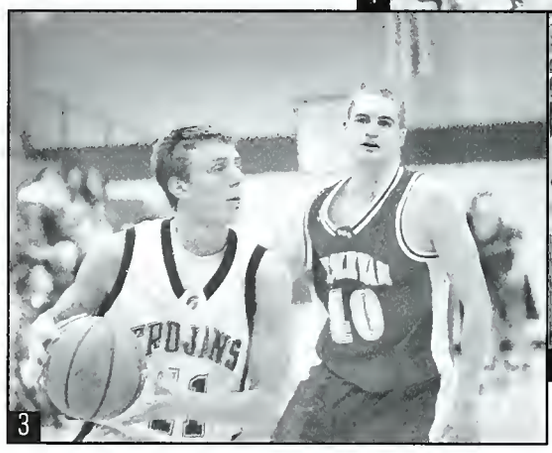
overall: 28-7 **conference**: 13-3

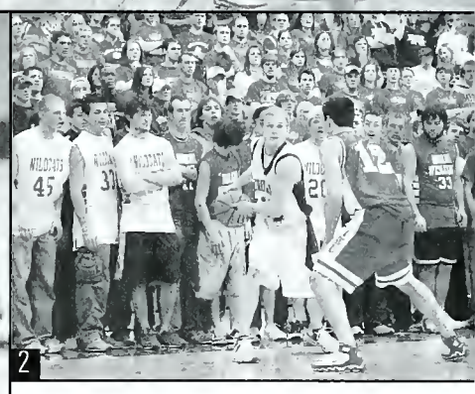


1 Senior Doug Bell rises up for a well-earned two points against Indiana Wesleyan. Bell, a third-team NAIA All-American as well as a first team All-MCC player, led the Trojans in rebounding with 6.0 per game and was second in scoring, averaging 16.8 points per game.
Photo by DJ Horton

2 Eric Ford, a four-year starter, looks to pass around a defender in the midst of the Indiana Wesleyan fans. Seniors Ford, Doug Bell and R.J. Beuchler led the Trojans in nearly every statistical category this season.
Photo by DJ Horton

3 Junior Kevin Wright dribbles around a defender and looks to pass. Wright, the Trojan point guard, was 25th in the nation in assist-turnover ratio.
Photo by Amy Wood





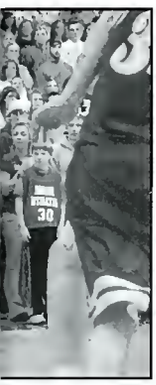
Have you ever seen those MasterCard commercials? You know the ones that list a couple of items and then finish with a resounding "priceless." That is exactly how I felt about beating Indiana Wesylan in the playoffs this year. Just three weeks earlier they came on our floor and beat us on a fluke shot at the buzzer. As the shot went in, their fans stormed the court and made everyone wearing the purple and gold disgusted. With the season series tied at 1-1, the playoff game was everything it was built up to be. The game went back and forth, but with the ball in their hands and just 10 seconds remaining, we had the lead. With four seconds to go Eric Ford stole the ball from an IWU guard and sprinted down the floor. As time expired, our fans stormed the court and it was sweet revenge on our cross-town rivals.

Though our season didn't end the way we wanted it to, we still accomplished a lot of things. We became the first team to win a game at the national tournament since 1994. We lead the country in scoring defense once again and we tied for the conference championship with Huntington, the national runner up. We traveled all across the country, playing games in such places as Disney World, Missouri, and Iowa. It was a great year for everyone on the team, and it was amazing playing our games in front of the greatest fans in the conference. Though all three years have been memorable, this season will be one that I will never forget.

-Doug Bell

TEAM LEADERS >> Scoring: *Eric Ford*, 19.64 ppg

MEN'S BASKETBALL





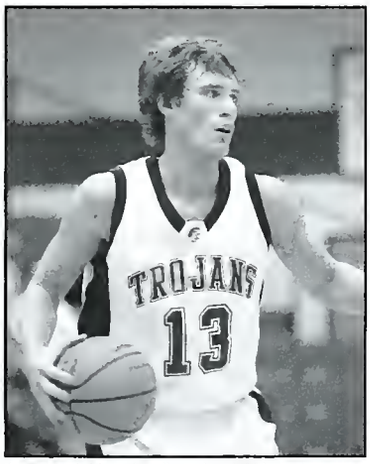
Senior, first team NAIA All-American Eric Ford penetrates the Indiana Wesleyan defense. Ford, who led the Trojans in scoring, also leaves Taylor as the third highest all-time scorer in Trojan history, scoring 2,023 points over his four years. In addition, Ford was named the Gates Howard Male Athlete of the Year for the 2005-2006 school year.

Photo by Amy Wood



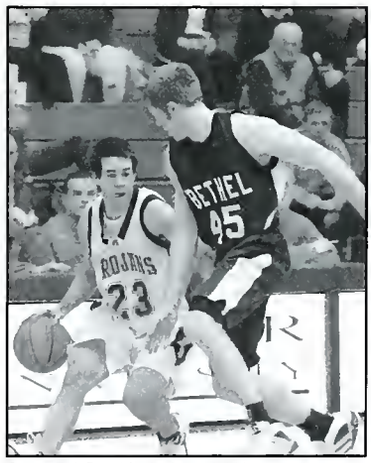
Head Coach Paul Patterson enjoyed a monumental season, starting with being selected as a coach for the 2005 USA Men's Basketball U21 National Team Trials and crossing the 600-win milestone for his career.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Josh Merrick pulls up his dribble and eyes the defense. Merrick started at the power forward position for the Trojans and was respected for his gritty defensive play.

Photo by Amy Wood



Senior R.J. Beuchler looks to dribble around a Bethel defender. Beuchler led the Trojans in assists and was third in scoring, averaging 12.5 points a game.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

Rebounding: ***Doug Bell,*** 6.0 rpg >> Assists: ***R.J Beuchler,*** 2.76 apg

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL





Junior Amber Bond drives around a defender. Amber Bond led the Trojans in assists this season, averaging 2.4 assists per game. She also led the team in steals with 45.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Katie Madden eyes the hoop and prepares to shoot a free throw. Madden led the Trojans in scoring and was 15th in the NAIA in field goal percentage, shooting over 52 percent.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Mallory Hawkins looks to pass. Hawkins was the lone senior on this year's squad and she contributed in the paint with over 3.5 rebounds per game.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore transfer Jen Ferguson eyes a defender. Ferguson was second on the team in scoring, averaging over 10.7 points per game.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

TEAM LEADERS >> Scoring: ***Katie Madden***, 14.71 ppg >> Rebounding: ***Katie Madden***, 6.36 rp



1 Freshman guard Stacie Myers dribbles down the court. Myers was third on the team in scoring and third on the team in assists.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Freshman Paige Rudolph weaves around a Bethel defender as sophomore Katie Madden peels off and looks for the entry pass.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Junior Amanda Bond and sophomore Katie Madden raise their hands up in an attempt to force a turnover.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith





The highlight game of this season was definitely the Bethel game in the first round of the MCC tournament. Bethel led the whole game by 10 or more. It seemed like we were fighting the entire time just to stay in the game. Whenever we tried to inch our way back into it, they went on another run to stay a good margin ahead. Finally, our defense picked up and we started making good shots in the paint to tie to the game with five minutes remaining. Bethel took the lead again by three with only a few minutes left. Then, Katie Madden hit a shot and Jenny Dawes got fouled on another to take the lead for the first time with less than a minute left. Bethel stormed back and tied the game, but on the next play, Allison Easterhaus nailed a three-pointer from an out-of-bounds play in the final seconds which gave us the final lead. We finished the game winning 74-69.

This was definitely the highlight game of our season, but I would also say that it was one of my favorite games ever as a Lady Trojan. Throughout the whole game things were just not looking great for us, but everyone just kept fighting. Going into the locker room afterwards was amazing. I think we were as shocked as Bethel was. On the way back home, we watched the game tape on the bus just to see how we did it. We all began yelling and cheering for ourselves as we saw the desire and teamwork that got us the win. Needless to say, it was a pretty sweet way to finish up the season!

-Mallory Hawkins

Assists: ***Amber Bond***, 2.42 apg >> Steals: ***Amber Bond***, 1.45 spg

SCOREBOARD

UNM-Dearborn	116-59
Indiana Tech	60-61
Aquinas	57-83
Cedarville	77-97
Illinois-Springfield	78-54
McKendree	78-65
Indiana Tech	W, Forfeit
Robert Morris	85-71
St. Francis	84-68
Marian	85-88
Huntington	56-52
Bethel	66-54
Madonna	70-66
Maryville	54-67
Lee	53-71
Ohio Dominican	102-65
Georgetown	68-75
Indiana Wesleyan	46-71
Grace	65-54
Goshen	70-49
Spring Arbor	70-63
St. Francis	65-80
Marian	61-59
Huntington	72-74
Bethel	80-91
Indiana Wesleyan	56-78
Grace	73-62
Goshen	64-59
Spring Arbor	80-71
St. Francis	67-92

MCC Tournament

Bethel	74-69
St. Francis	53-75

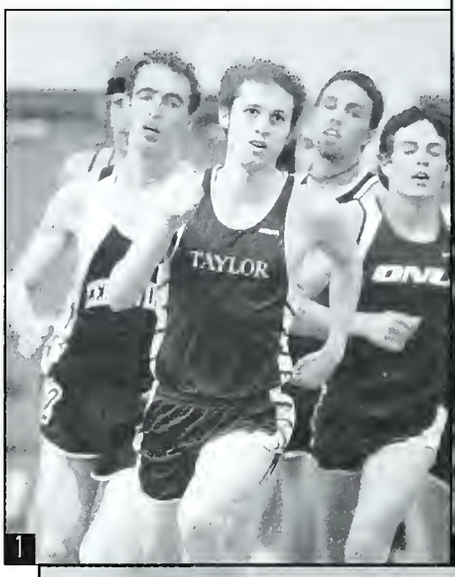
overall: 18-14 **conference**: 9-7

1 Senior Lance Vanderberg stays focused on his course as he stretches it out in the 10,000 meters. Vanderberg competed in the NAIA National Championship in Fresno, California in this event.
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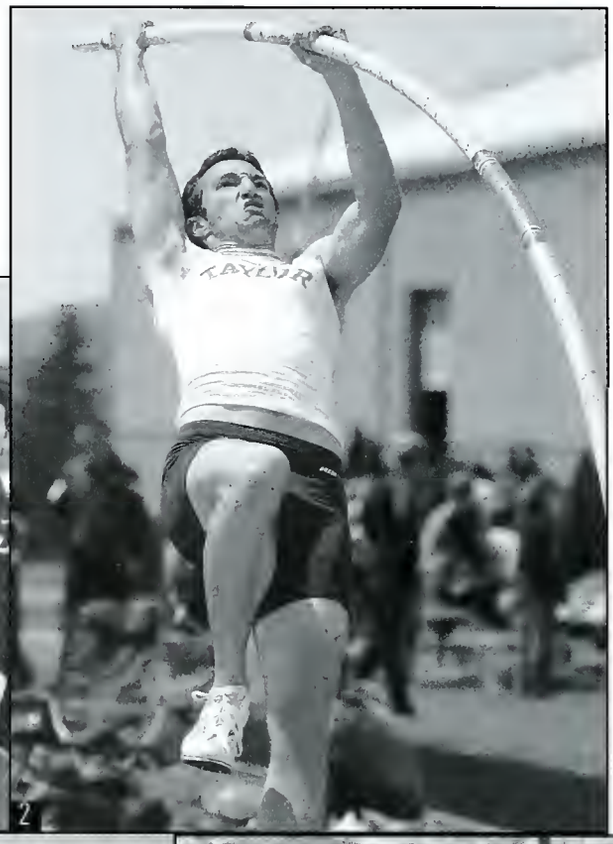
2 Junior Mitchell Jones plants and attempts to clear the bar. Jones was the Trojans' leading hurlder this season.
Photo by Jim Garringer

3 Freshman Ian Brown legs it out in the 100 meters at the NCCAA National Championship. Brown was second in the Mid Central Conference in both the 100 and the 200 meter and qualified for the NAIA National Championship in the 200.
Photo by Jim Garringer

4 Freshman JP Robles flies over a hurdle in the 400 meter hurdles. Robles placed fifth in the Mid Central Conference in this event.
Photo by Jim Garringer



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The most thrilling race this season was the men's 4x400 at the NCCAA Indoor Championships. Not only was the race the last event of the meet, but it was the first big meet Taylor hosted at the Kesler Student Activities Center and we had plenty of fan support. With all the other events completed, most teams and fans gathered around the home stretch. This created an electric atmosphere near the finish line. The race was the first big test for our 4x400 team with plenty of good teams in the mix. We had only one returning member of the All-American squad we put together a couples years back, and Andy Marston, a freshmen, was leading off. In this race, everyone is trying to get into to that inside lane. This means there is all sorts of bumping, jostling, elbowing, spiking, and hustling coming off that first stagger. Our guys did a great job staying right in the hunt for the lead, and going into the 3rd leg, we were hanging around in fourth place. Josh Edgerton, a senior middle-distance ace, pulled out a quick split, passed two runners in the last 150m and drove our team into second place. However, when I got the baton for the anchor leg, we were nearly 15 meters down to Olivet Nazarene. I just remember feeling this incredible sense of focus, a pulsating in my ears, around my eyes, and all through my head that blocked out everything else. Coming into the final lap (the KSAC track is 200m, which means a 400m is two full laps), I saw that I was closing on the anchor leg from ONU. I realized I had a chance to catch him. This whole time this surging in my head doesn't stop. I'm just driving my legs, throwing everything I have into keeping my legs turning over for big, powerful strides. With about 100m to go, I pull even with the ONU anchor, and then slingshot around him on the curve. As I shoot out onto the final home stretch, all I see is a tunnel of people going crazy. I had a huge surge of adrenaline, and I pulled away in the last 50 meters to win the race. After I crossed the finish line, I knew that our relay squad had just run the indoor race of the season. The other three guys came over to me and there was this understanding between all of us that we had been a part of something special on the track that evening.

-Andy Long

RESULTS

Emory Classic	2nd
Indiana Little State	8th
Anderson Invitational	2nd
Olivet Nazarene Classic	2nd
MCC Championship	3rd
NCCAA Championship	8th

MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD





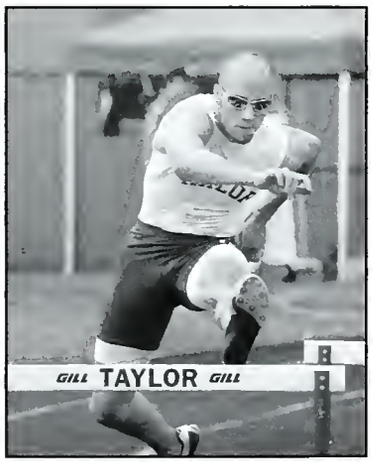
Senior Andy Long pushes it out in the home stretch against Brian Skattum of Grace College. Long finished with a 48.47, which placed him second in both the Mid Central Conference and the NCCAA National Championship. He also qualified for NAIA Nationals with that mark.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Mitchell Jones clears the bar while pole vaulting. Jones qualified for the NAIA Nationals in pole vault with his jump of 16' 0.75", a new Taylor record.

Photo by DJ Horton



Junior Randy Dunbar strides over a hurdle in the 400 meter hurdles. Dunbar placed second in the Mid Central Conference in this event.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Junior Brandon House flies through the air in the long jump. House placed fourth in the long jump, 100 meter dash and 200 meter dash at the Mid Central Conference Championship.

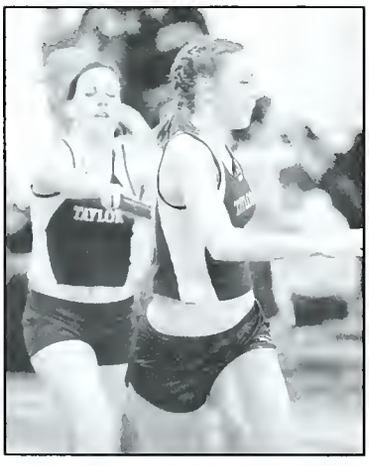
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WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD



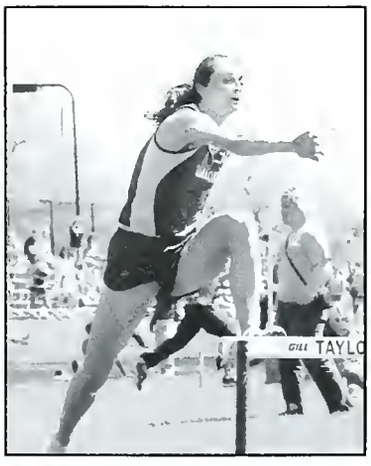
Sophomore Stacey Jackson pushes over a hurdle during the 400 meter hurdle race at the NCCAA National Championship meet. Jackson ran a time of 1:08.6 which placed her sixth in the nation.

Photo by Jim Garringer



Sophomore Amy Brown hands the baton off to sophomore Rebecca Hegelein during a relay race.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Sophomore Vanessa Fereshetian leaps a hurdle at the NCCAA National Meet. Taylor hosted the NCCAA meet this year.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Lolly York broke the Taylor record in the 5000 meters with a time of 17:29.19, which broke the previous record more than 24 seconds.

Photo by Jim Garringer



1 Junior Heather Haskins focuses before running the 400 meter dash. Haskins placed fifth in the 400 and anchored the 4X400 relay team, which took home sixth place at the NCCAA National Championship.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



2 Kari Olson pushes past a competitor while running in the 800 meter dash. Olson finished third in the conference in this event.
Photo by Jim Garringer

3 For the first time in the history of the school, Taylor hosted the NCCAA Track and Field Indoor National Track and Field Meet at the Kesler Student Activities Center.
Photo by Jim Garringer

4 Head Coach Ted Bowers instructs junior Heather Haskins as they prepare for upcoming event.
Photo by Jim Garringer





The hot, Florida sun beat down on our already sun-burned faces as we walked toward the barren field—the location where the now-infamous pole workout took place during spring break. Normally, a single workout would not be documented, but those who completed this workout would agree this one should. First, the pole workout was the unfathomable mixture of speed and endurance, resulting in the ultimate combination of pain and fatigue. Secondly, everyone on the track and field team participated together, which never happens any other time in the season. 100-meter hurdlers, 10k runners, pole vaulters, triple jumpers and everyone in between stepped up to the starting line together. As Coach Bowers pulled his stop watch out and yelled, "Go!" we sprinted towards the first pole and then continued past the seventh one. The memory of the pain of that workout has faded now, but the memories themselves have not. We were supposed to do six repeats of the seven pole-to-pole sprints. As soon as we stopped gasping for air after the first repeat, Coach asked who could do another one. Someone said she could and walked toward the starting line alone, but once she got there, she turned around and saw the rest of the team behind her, encouraging each other to do one more. The same question was posed after that repeat and the same answer was given by a different girl as the rest joined her on the line. This trend comtinued until we completed nine repeats—each one faster than the one before. Obviously, I was impressed by the efforts and fast finishing times, but I was more impressed by the way the team was carried by different individuals and how we were unified in the process. We started the workout as a group of different "teams"—the distance runners, the field eventers, and the sprinters, but we ended as one team—the Taylor University Track and Field Team. The pole workout made us faster, but most of all, it created a unified team that lead us towards and through a successful season, complete with a clinching of third place in the conference.

-Lolly York

RESULTS

Emory Classic	5th
Indiana Little State	11th
Anderson Invitational	2nd
Olivet Nazarene Classic	3rd
MCC Championship	3rd
NCCAA Championship	8th

SCOREBOARD

IU Southeast	8-9, 3-4
Earlham	5-1, 4-7
IU Southeast	5-4, 2-8
IU Southeast	13-3, 2-0
Calumet	13-3
Bethel	4-2, 22-13
Marian	6-7, 14-5
Marian	2-1, 11-12
Goshen	7-6, 4-3
St. Francis	12-6, 5-9
St. Francis	10-7, 10-3
Atlanta Christian	17-0, 13-5
Emmanuel	12-6, 5-2
Shorter	5-2
Toccoa Falls	16-5, 17-7
University of the South	2-8, 5-2
Ohio Northern	11-0, 6-4
Cedarville	2-0, 7-0
Spring Arbor	2-7, 2-7
Siena Heights	10-0, 2-7
Trinity International	1-3, 3-6
Indiana Wesleyan	2-3, 2-7
Indiana Wesleyan	4-2, 5-6
Grace	12-2, 5-0
Huntington	5-13, 0-5
Huntington	0-4, 6-5

MCC Tournament

Goshen	14-3
Spring Arbor	6-4
Spring Arbor	11-7

NAIA Regional Tournament

Madonna	0-5
Spring Arbor	0-3

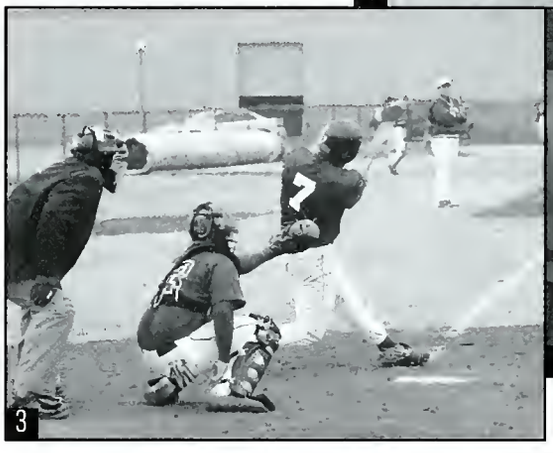
overall: 33-22 **conference**: 13-11



1 Freshman Paul Passiales started at third base and was fourth in the team in RBI's with 37. He batted a smooth .335 on the season.
Photo by DJ Horton

2 The Trojan bench looks on during a game against Indiana Wesleyan University. Taylor won a school record 33 games this season and advanced to the NAIA Regional Tournament.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Senior Trent Mast drives a double into the gap. Mast dominated opposing pitching this season, hitting .382 with 7 home runs and 50 RBI, earning him first team All-Conference honors.
Photo by DJ Horton





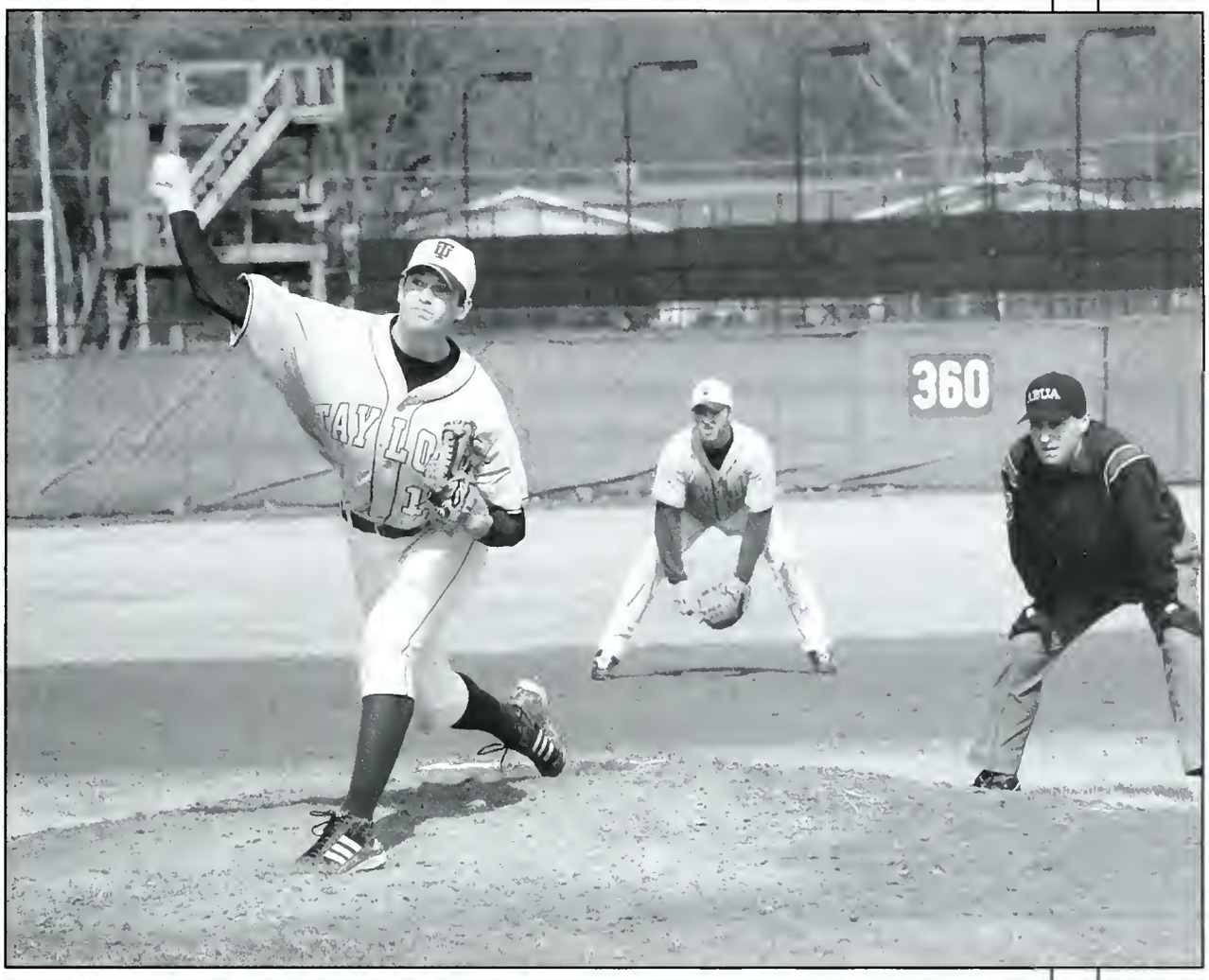
There were many memorable experiences this year on the Taylor baseball team. In a year that included setting the school record for wins and making it to the NAIA Regional Tournament, the most memorable moment was our trip to the conference tournament. After starting out 25-9, the entire team hit a slump. What at first seemed like an easy South Division championship turned into a scramble just to make the conference tournament and a chance to play in the regional tournament. After winning the one game we needed at Huntington, we found ourselves playing in the conference tournament. We needed one win to break the school record and two wins to make it to the Regional tournament. Our first game was against Goshen. The bats came alive for the first time in weeks and we won 14-3. The second game was against Spring Arbor who had beaten us soundly two weeks earlier. It appeared that we might lose to them for the third time as we trailed 4-3 heading into the ninth inning. Two outs later, we were still down 4-3 but now we had a runner on third with Tad Litwiller up. Everyone was going crazy in the dugout. He was quickly down in the count with two strikes against him. That did little to quiet us down. Tad then saw ball one just inches off the outside corner. The next pitch was another fastball on the outside corner of the plate, and Tad drilled a hit through the right side of the infield. Dustin Miller cored and the game was tied. I was the next hitter. The count was quickly two balls and no strikes. Tad and I got the hit and run sign from Coach Gould, and I hit the ball over the right field fence for a two-run home run. The two runs proved to be the winning runs. We went on to the regional tournament and our great season ended there, the most exciting baseball season in Taylor history.

-Ricky Pease

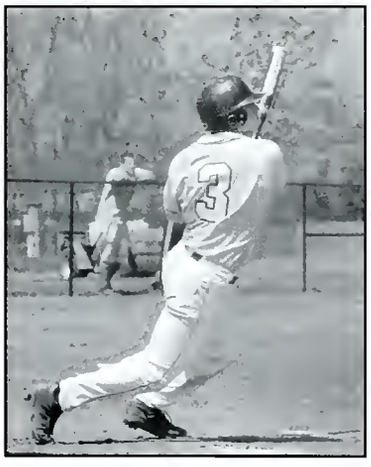
TEAM LEADERS >> Batting Average: ***Ricky Pease***, .404

BASEBALL





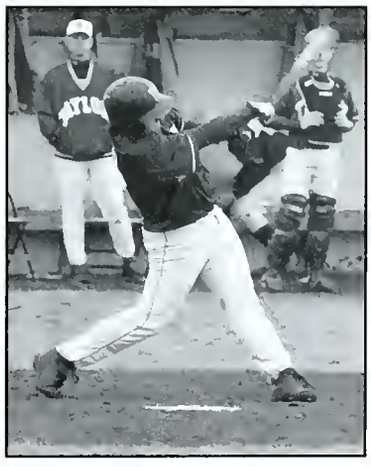
Senior Luke Baeslack hurls a fastball towards the plate. Baeslack, the team's ace and a four-year starter on the hill for the Trojans, was 8-5 with a 3.27 ERA and was named an All-Conference honorable mention for his performance this season.
Photo by DJ Horton



Junior Tad Litwiller pushes out of the box while watching to see if his line drive is caught. Litwiller was named the conference's top catcher for his offensive prowess and his impressive 40 percent rate of throwing out potential base stealers.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Ricky Pease picks a groundball cleanly. Pease was named a first team All-Conference player, leading the conference in hits with 72.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Chuck Burkhart connects with a ball during a conference game. Bukhart, a three-year starter, notched seven doubles and 21 RBI on the season.
Photo by DJ Horton

Home Runs: ***Tad Litwiller,*** 10 >> RBI: ***Trent Mast,*** 50 >> Strikeouts: ***Luke Baeslack,*** 61

SOFTBALL





Sophomore Brittany Beckham rebounded off an injury-plagued freshman season to lead all Trojan hurlers with four wins. Beckham was second on team in strikeouts with 31.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Junior Amanda Eckman winds up to throw to first base. Eckman had an .860 fielding percentage this season.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Eckman connects with a high fastball for one of her 16 hits on the season. She split time between second base and right field this season.
Photo by DJ horton



Freshman Lindsey Stone grimaces in preparation to hit the ball. Stone started at first base and was third on the team in batting with a .315 batting average.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

TEAM LEADERS >> Batting Average: ***Emily Pensinger***, .391 >> Home Runs: ***Amy Richardson***,



1 Freshman Jill Tomaszewski winds up and prepares to fire a strike. Tomaszewski led the Trojans in ERA (2.80), innings pitched (77) and strikeouts (45). She was named to the MCC All-Conference honorable mention list for her efforts.
Photo by DJ Horton



2 Junior Amanda Eckman and sophomore Erica Yoder both look to catch a pop-up.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 The Trojans gather around starting pitcher, sophomore Brittany Beckham. The Lady Trojans got off to a tough start, but rebounded to win seven conference games.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Senior Sarah Sarracino laces a single into center field. Sarracino, along with fellow senior, Emily Pensinger, was a four year starter.
Photo by DJ Horton





Coming into the final doubleheader of the season against Huntington University, we stood in seventh place. If we lost both games, we would remain in seventh place. If we split, we would be in sixth place. But if we swept the series, we would take fifth place. These games were huge in determining our placement in the conference tournament. With all this pressure on us, our team answered the challenge and won both games! The first game proved to be a challenge. After several innings of play, it was a scoreless game. Finally, in the sixth inning, we put two runs on the board. Amy Richardson came up big for us, hitting a two-run homer. Jill Tomaszewski pitched an outstanding game, giving up only six hits and no walks in seven innings.The second game was an exciting game as well! Huntington started the offense early, leading 1-0 in the first inning. We came back to take the lead in the fourth inning, 4-1. We were not done generating offense, however. We finally took full control of the game in the fifth inning when we scored six runs on seven singles. When the dust settled, the score was 12-4. The win was a complete team effort behind the great pitching of Brittany Beckham. This Huntington series was one that I will never forget. As a team, we had a season high of seventeen hits, we won two games and we had a great time as a team, glorifying God in the way we played.

-Sarah Sarracino

RBI: *Amy Richardson,* 20 >> Strikeouts: *Jill Tomaszewski,* 45

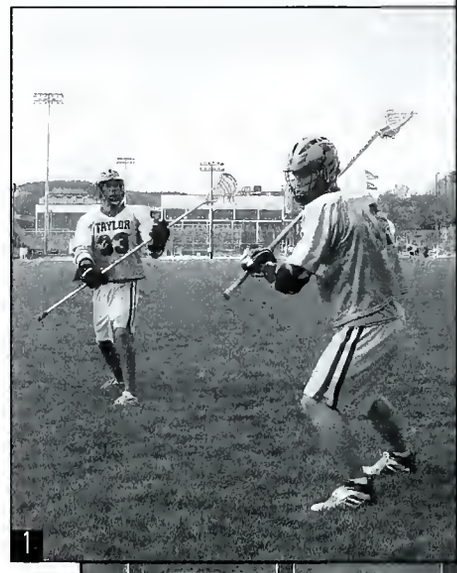
SCOREBOARD

Tufts	7-12
Azusa Pacific	0-8
Northwest Christian	1-4
Pacific	2-4
Northwest Christian	3-12
Concordia	1-9
Williams	3-13
Point Loma Nazarene	0-8
St. Francis	11-5, 3-5
Goshen	7-5, 11-3
Trinity International	1-9, 4-7
Trinity International	7-11
Bethel	0-4, 0-8
Spring Arbor	0-2, 1-9
Marian	3-0, 1-6
Indiana Wesleyan	0-5, 5-6
Grace	1-2, 6-0
Tiffin	1-5, 1-9
Saint Mary of the Woods	7-14, 9-5
Huntington	2-0, 12-4

MCC Tournament

Marian	0-2
Bethel	1-10

overall: 7-24 **conference**: 7-9



1 Juniors Ryan Spencer (33) and Jason Kistler (16) pass to each other in preparation for a big game against Grove City Collge in Pennsylvania.
Photo by Dan Kaste



2 Senior Laura VanRyn, who was killed in the tragic accident on Interstate 69, weaves down the field at practice. VanRyn was an active participant on the women's team.
Photo by Amy Wood



3 The Trojans gather around in front of the charter bus they took to their games in Pennsylvania. The team came away with one win and one loss on the trip.
Photo by Amy Wood



4 The men's team gathers around student coach Matt Rush as he lays out the upcoming practice plan.
Photo by Amy Wood

MEN'S SCORES

Carnegie Mellon	11-19
Dayton	2-9
Grand Valley State	13-12
Adrian	15-3
Purdue	W, Forfeit
Ferris State	11-10
Ball State	12-18
Grove City	11-13
Indiana (PA)	12-5

overall: 5-4

WOMEN'S SCORES

Calvin College	9-10
Rose-Hulman	4-9
St. Mary's	3-12
Purdue	5-12
Rose-Hulman	4-9

overall: 0-5

So there we are, down 10-9 with 20 seconds left in the game. We had just blown our 5 goal lead and were facing the possibility of losing to Ferris State University. However, a brief glimmer of hope came after a Ferris penalty sent a player to the penalty box and we were a "man up" for one last chance to tie the game and send it to overtime. Not 10 seconds later, freshman David Batts scored the game tying goal after a great pass from junior Joel Mostad, sending the game to overtime. The overtime did not last long. We controlled the opening face-off and 16 seconds later Mostad scored the game winning goal. I remember not being able to see what had happened because I was so far away.

I waited until I saw Joel throw both his hands up with excitement. With pure joy, we rushed the field. I remember running right by Ferris players who were walking off the field with their heads down. We almost crushed Joel during our celebration. The funny thing is I remember our coach, Matt Rush, right in the middle of the pile. I thought to myself, "Coaches are not supposed to rush the field with the players!" But that is why I play lacrosse for Taylor. That night in Big Rapids, Michigan, we had the honor of representing Christ and Taylor to a group of athletes who do not get to play against many Christians and have fun doing it (not to mention we sent the 21st ranked team in the nation home with their first and only conference loss of the season).

Walking off that field winning 11-10 was a great feeling. I will not soon forget that game. It really is an honor to represent Christ and Taylor in the lacrosse community.

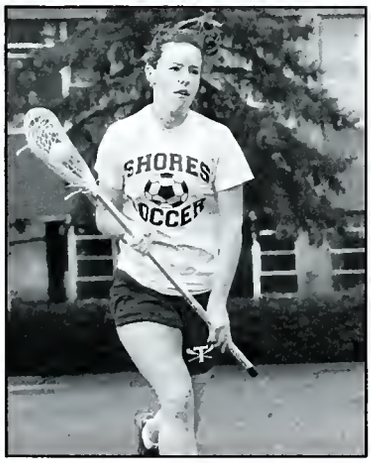
-Jason Kistler

LACROSSE





Senior Jason Krueger dives across the goal mouth and fires a shot on the goalkeeper. Krueger was a captain of the men's team this season.
Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Kerry Porter works on her ball-handling skills at practice. Porter was a four-year player on the Lady Trojans this season.
Photo by Amy Wood



Courtney Little, senior, weaves through the field as she looks to pass to a teammate.
Photo by Amy Wood

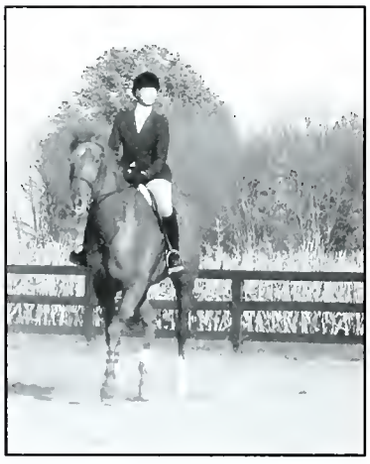


Junior Jason Kistler winds up to shoot. Kistler, an all-conference bruiser, was a key member of the Trojan defense this season.
Photo by Ryan Spencer

EQUESTRIAN



Megan McAlister, a freshman on the team, soars over a jump during the novice fences class at the show hosted by Notre Dame University.
Photo by Christy Wong



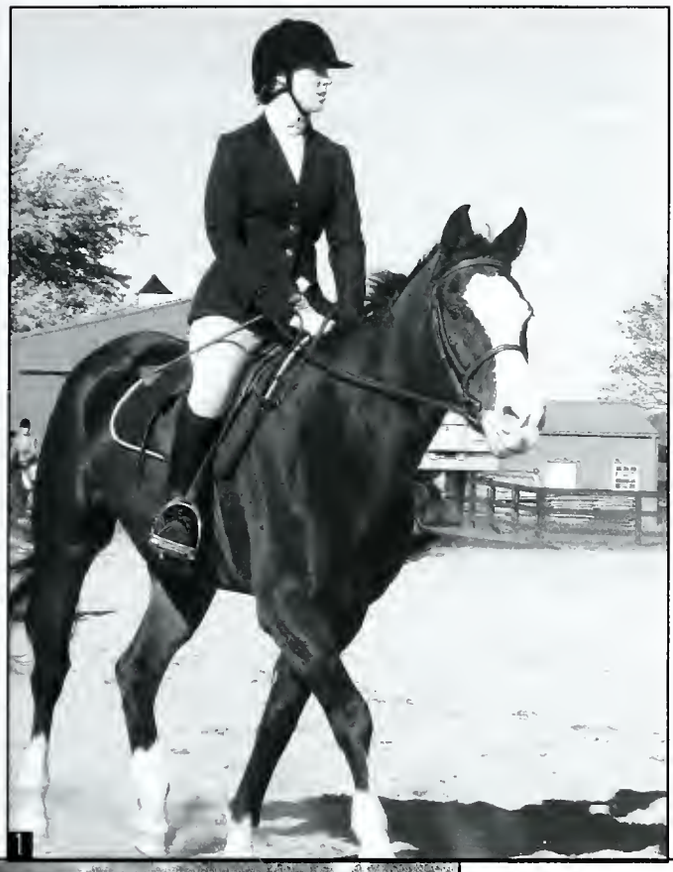
Sophomore Kate Roselle trots her horse in the Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter division of the show.
Photo by Christy Wong



Jessica Jones, a four-year member of the equestrian team, prepares to jump a fence in the novice fences class.
Photo by Christy Wong



Sophomore Melissa Baum stands beside her coach, Maggie Boyle, and her horse, Richie, after placing in the novice flat divison.
Photo provided by Melissa Baum



1 Sophomore Melissa Baum keeps her eyes ahead as she competes in the novice flat division of the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association.

Photo provided by Melissa Baum

2 Freshman Meaghan McAlister guides her horse over an oxer during her weekly riding lesson.

Photo provided by Megan McAlister

3 Senior Karin Sandstrom demonstrates a sitting trot during the open flat division at the horse show hosted by Notre Dame.

Photo by Christy Wong





It was still dark outside as 17 girls trudged sleepily into the DC atrium on a Sunday morning. It is 5:30 on the second day of our home show in February. The frigid winter air made some of us wish we had put on more layers or had an extra pair of socks. We piled into several cars and made the half hour drive to our barn, Black Dog Farms in Marion. The barn was all ready for a second day of horse showing since we had been there to set up Friday night and Saturday afternoon after the first show. The dining commons generously provided us with more than enough food for the entire weekend, so we spent a few minutes eating breakfast and had a short devotional time before getting to work.

Everyone had an assigned job. Some people ran the draw table, others were the judge's assistant or the announcer, the team secretary worked the secretary's table, and everyone else became a horse holder. With such a small team, it was amazing that our shows ran so smoothly. Though we were all tired and maybe a little cranky, everyone worked hard and tried to be an example of Christ's servant heart for the other schools' teams. Not all our team members competed in the show, so we took turns covering for each other when someone had to get ready for her class. We encouraged each other after each ride.

Some people may not understand why we give up our entire weekend for a horse show. Well, it's surprising what you'll do when you combine a love for Christ with a love for horses.

-Christy Wong

SHOWS

St. Mary of the Woods, October 1

Melissa Baum, Novice Flat	1st
Emily Wilson , Novice Fences	1st
Emily Wilson , Intermediate Flat	5th
Kate Roselle, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	2nd
Meaghan McAlister, Intermediate Flat	3rd

Notre Dame, October 30

Melissa Baum, Novice Flat	6th
Emily Wilson , Intermediate Fences	6th
Karin Sandstrom , Intermediate Fences	5th
Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	2nd
Kate Roselle, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	2nd
Meaghan McAlister, Intermediate Flat	5th
Jessica Jones, Novice Fences	4th

Purdue, November 19-20

November 19

Melissa Baum, Novice Flat	2nd
Kate Roselle , Novice Flat	2nd
Lauren Glass, Open Flat	4th

November 20

Jessica Jones, Novice Fences	2nd
Kate Roselle, Novice Flat	1st

Taylor University, December 3-4

December 3

Melissa Baum, Novice Flat	2nd
Emily Wilson , Intermediate Flat	2nd
Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	5th
Karin Sandstrom, Intermediate Fences	5th
Kate Roselle, Novice Flat	5th
Christy Wong, Novice Flat	3rd
Alison Jerome, Novice Flat	3rd
Ashley Haag, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	1st
Lauren Glass, Walk/Trot	2nd
Jessica Jones, Intermediate Flat	4th

December 4

Karin Sandstrom, Intermediate Fences	1st
Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	2nd
Jessica Jones, Novice Fences	6th
Jessica Jones, Intermediate Flat	6th
Christy Wong, Novice Flat	6th
Kate Roselle, Novice Flat	3rd
Ashley Haag, Walk/Trot	7th
Lauren Glass, Walk/Trot	4th
Heidi Beachy, Walk/Trot	7th

Taylor University, February 4-5

February 4

Kate Roselle, Novice Flat	3rd
Kate Roselle, Novice Fences	2nd
Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	6th
Emily Wilson, Intermediate Flat	4th
Meaghan McAlister, Intermediate Flat	4th
Alison Jerome, Novice Flat	4th
Ashley Haag, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	4th
Laura Bowen, Beginner Walk/Trot/Canter	4th
Lauren Glass, Walk/Trot	1st
Jenna Reed, Walk/Trot	4th

February 5

Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	5th
Kate Roselle, Novice Fences	5th
Kate Roselle, Novice Flat	6th
Emily Wilson, Intermediate Flat	1st
Christy Wong, Novice Flat	4th
Ashley Haag, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	5th
Lauren Glass, Walk/Trot	5th
Alison Jerome, Novice Flat	1st
Ashley Haag, Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter	5th
Jenna Reed, Walk/Trot	2nd

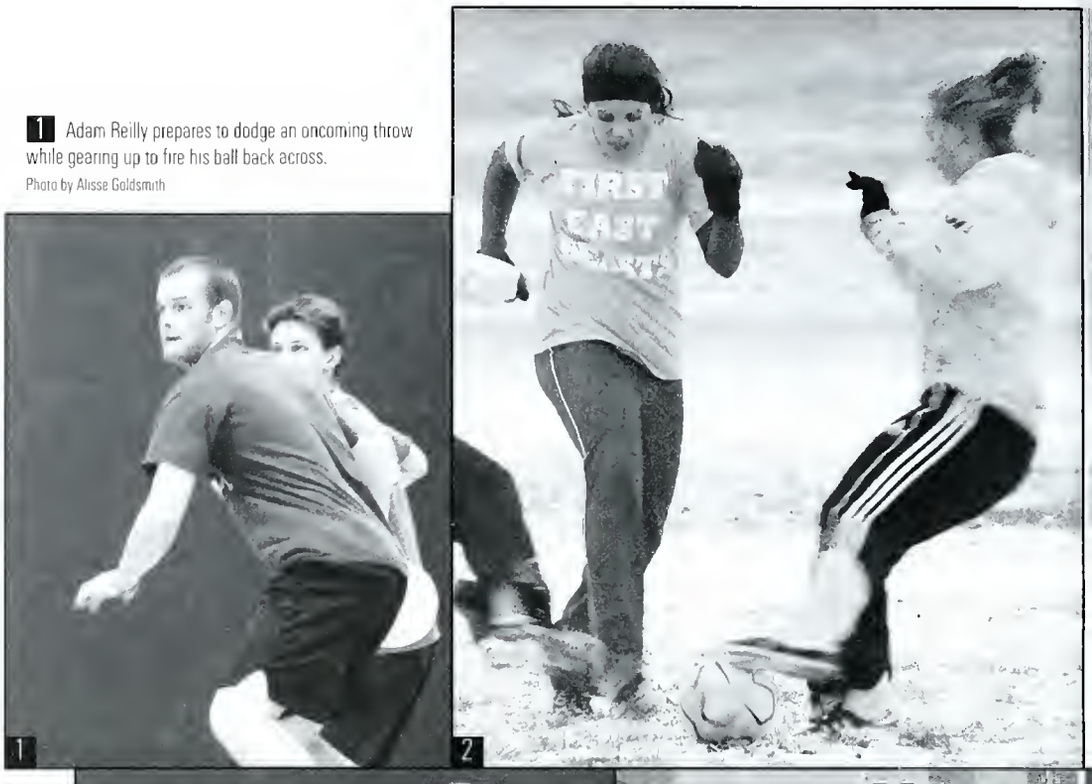
St. Mary of the Woods, February11-12

February 11

Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	2nd
Kate Roselle , Novice Flat	2nd
Kate Roselle , Novice Fences	1st
Laura Bowen, Open Flat	5th

February 12

Karin Sandstrom, Open Flat	3rd
Kate Roselle , Novice Flat	2nd
Kate Roselle , Novice Fences	2nd
Laura Bowen, Open Flat	5th



1 Adam Reilly prepares to dodge an oncoming throw while gearing up to fire his ball back across.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Freshman Emily Gerard splits two defenders in the women's championship soccer game. First East were able to score to win the game despite the rough conditions.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Faculty member Steve Austin rolls right and looks for an open receiver as junior Drew Hamer of Third West Wengatz closes in.
Photo by Amy Wood

4 Nate Porcher winds up and eyes up his next prey. Porcher and his teammates from First West Wengatz repeated as intramural dodgeball champions. Their only loss coming mid-season to Man Candy.
Photo by Amy Wood



CHAMPIONS

Men's Football
Champions: Off-Campus
Runner Up: Third West Wengatz

Women's Football
Champions: Off-Campus
Runner Up: Second West Olson

Men's Soccer
Champions: Third West Wengatz
Runner Up: Off-Campus

Women's Soccer
Champions: First East Olson
Runner Up: 2E and 3C Olson

Men's Dodgeball
Champions: First West Wengatz
Runner Up: Off-Campus

Women's Dodgeball
Champions: Off-Campus
Runner Up: First East Olson

"Who scores? We score!" Not only is this the girls off-campus intramural football chant, but it also reflects the outcome of our season. Our off-campus team dominated the field in every aspect and completed the season with an undefeated record. After winning the championship game against Second West Olson, our team took on the top girls' intramural team at Indiana Wesleyan University at the annual Backyard Brawl. We could not wait to get out on the field and play the game we love. We found out quickly, however, that we had to make some major changes to our game. We had to adjust our line-up, positions, routes, contact, and coverage throughout the game to play by IWU's rules. We started off pretty shaky when we allowed IWU a touchdown and an extra point. Frustration was at an all time high because we were not used to their rules. During half-time our coaches helped us strategize to beat IWU's defense by using four receivers, one lineman, and Rachel Clemens as quarterback. We ended up tying the game at 7-7 when Clemens threw a touchdown pass to Lauren Hess and then Clemens ran it in to score the extra point. The game went into overtime and our tough defense stopped IWU from scoring. Now it was our turn to take the lead. Before our offense took the field we had to do what was most appropriate. We huddled up and yelled "Who scores? We score!" After two failed attempts to put the ball in the end zone, we needed to make something happen on the third down. Lineman Becca Miller hiked the ball and shimmied her heart out blocking for Clemens who threw the ball toward the end zone. With the crowd in anxious anticipation to see if the pass would be completed, I caught the ball bringing the off-campus girls team to victory. The rest of the team burst out onto the field surrounding the players. We ended our season in a huge huddle jumping and cheering because "we scored!"
-Lindsey Kirkbride

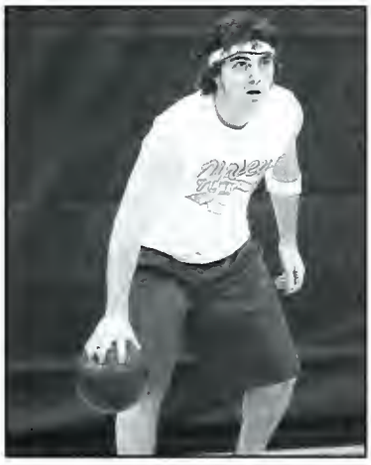
FALL INTRAMURALS





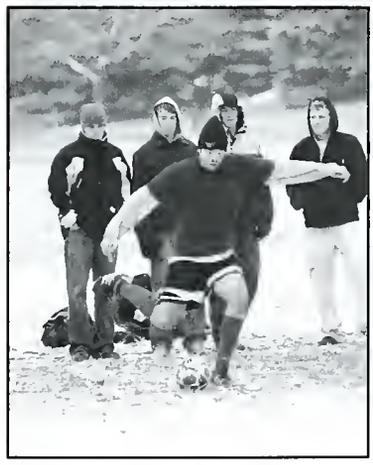
Third Wester Jay McCann receives a pass and looks to gain some yards. Third West lost the championship football game to the tough, undefeated Off-Campus team, 17-0.

Photo by DJ Horton



Junior Brad Bowe from Third Center Wengatz eyes up his opponents and prepares to throw.

Photo by Amy Wood



Senior Brad Klaver plants and looks to pass. Although the snow-covered fields were not ideal for championship soccer games, the teams fought threw the conditions.

Photo by DJ Horton



Jordan Stone, of the dodeball champs, First West Wengatz, fires a ball across the line.

Photo by Amy Wood

SPRING INTRAMURALS





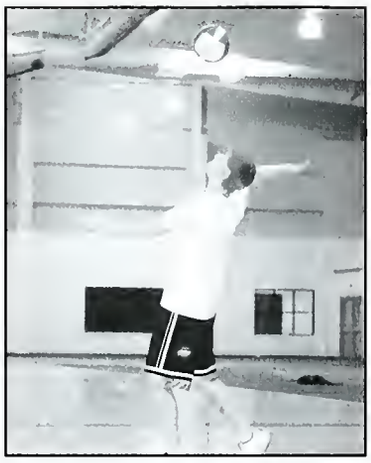
Freshman Jen Howard gears up for the pitch. Taylor's intramural softball program features both male-only and coed softball teams and is played in April and May

Photo by DJ Horton



Senior Kyle Overpeck catches a fly ball as one of his teammates looks on.

Photo by DJ Horton



Junior Josh Ahlgrim tosses up the volleyball and prepares to serve.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



Senior Bill Ridder jumps up for a block during a game. Intramural volleyball takes place during J-term.

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



1 Freshman Whitney Cerak, a survivor in the tragic accident on April 26, was actively involved on her wing and in intramurals.
Photo by DJ Horton

2 Junior Nathan McCauley sets his feet and prepares for the bump as his teammate looks on.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Intramural volleyball is coed and teams compete at three different ability levels.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith





It wasn't a great pitch. I might as well have just let the batter take first base and, as the batter connected with the ball, I knew I basically had. However, my team, Jhai's Legends, wasn't solely playing to win. Victories weren't the focus of our season. Instead, we viewed softball intramurals as a way to continue the magic our team experienced during our Lighthouse trip as we played aquaball in Trinidad. Softball games proved to be a time of chatting, laughing, and catching up, much to the chagrin of the team's general manager and coach, Seth Pietrini. Yet, as the ball soared to right field, my competitive-side kicked in. There was a game to be won and this out could give us the victory. It was a pop fly, but as I saw our right-fielder, Sara Hightower, running toward the ball, confidence wasn't exactly what I was feeling. Sara stuck her glove up, clearly feeling no more assurance than I. Miraculously, the catch was made. Sara first checked her glove to confirm the result. Only after the verification of her catch could Sara begin her celebration, which was complete with jumping up and down, screaming, and doing a little (choreographed) dance. A team celebration followed and Sara was the obvious choice for that game's most valuable player. Pop fly celebrations, meaningful conversations, and a victory now and then made this year's spring softball intramurals a wonderful thing to be a part of.

-Alli Wolgemuth

CHAMPIONS

Volleyball A-League
MmmBump Remix

Volleyball B-League
Flava Flave

Basketball A-League
Snickerdoodles

Basketball B-League
Wild Boyz

Basketball C-League
Boom Goes The Dynamite

Women's Basketball
Five Feisty Fausterettes

Men's Softball
Badonkadonk

Men's Spring Football
Third West Ballin' Boys

Women's Spring Football
Second West Wengatz

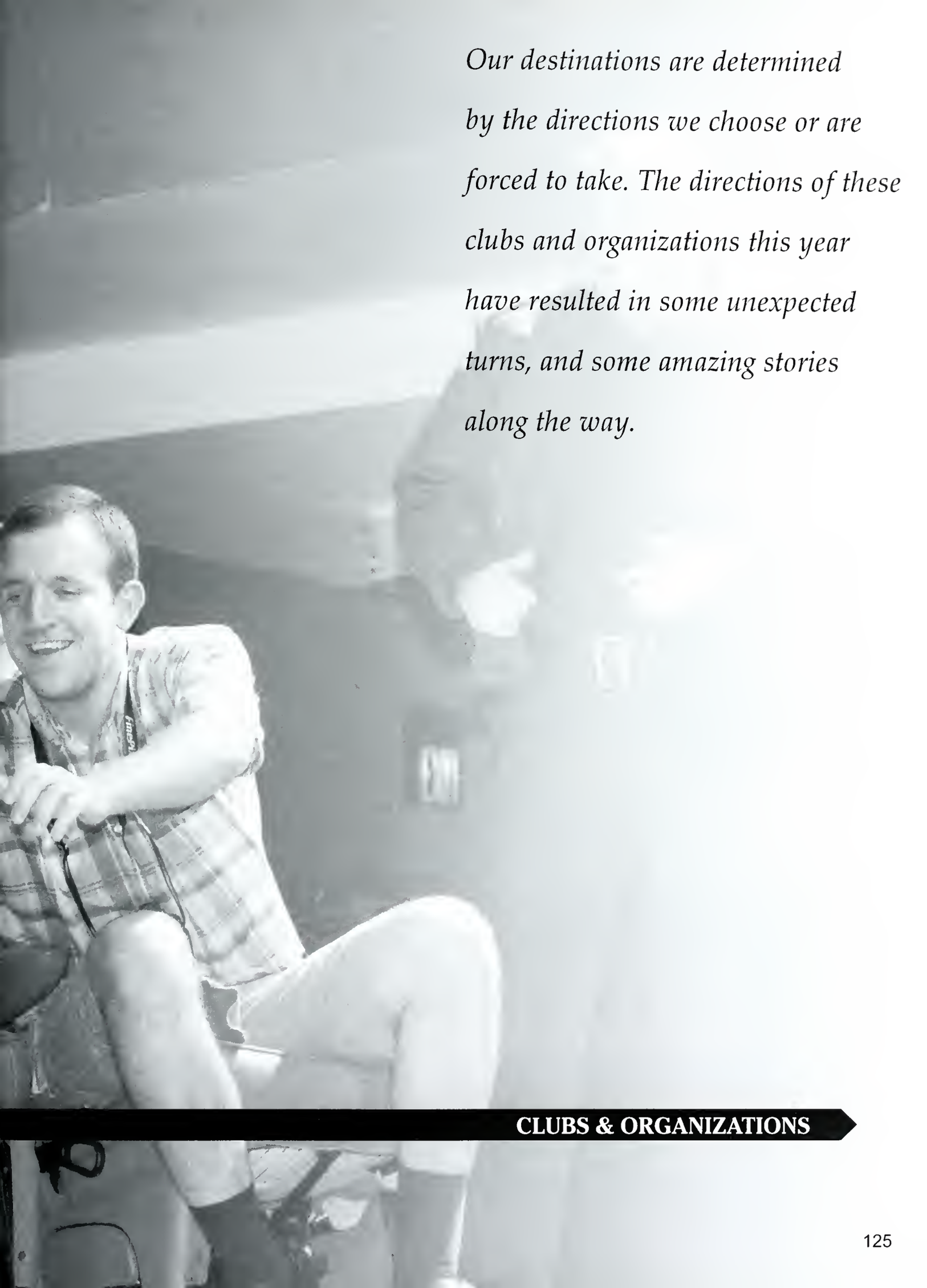
Coed Tennis
Nathan Diepstra & Amy Shortenhaus

Men's Tennis
Nathan Diepstra & Matt Harrell

Women's Tennis
Ellen Koch & Allison Barlow



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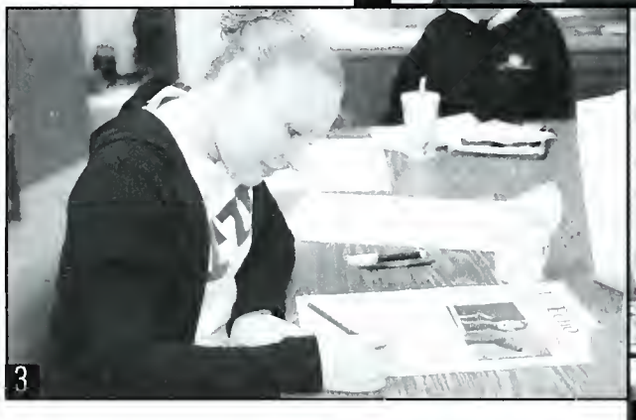
Our destinations are determined by the directions we choose or are forced to take. The directions of these clubs and organizations this year have resulted in some unexpected turns, and some amazing stories along the way.



1 Junior Jessica Degenhardt looks at the yearbook ladder with senior Chris Horst during a yearbook staff meeting.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



2 Sophomore Amy Wood and other Echo staff members work hard to meet their deadline.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



3 Sophomore Kristina Satern, Echo editor-in-chief, edits copy for an issue of the Echo.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



4 Junior Ashley Haag, senior Chris Horst, and junior Jessica Degenhardt enjoy a good laugh while taking notes at a yearbook staff meeting.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

ECHO

The headline read, "Habeckers Feed Leaders." Mary Lou Habecker certainly fed me that morning as I sat talking to her about her husband, her faith, and her daily routine of devotions.

I joined the Echo staff a few weeks into the semester. I had never considered myself a journalist before – my passion was fiction writing. However, when Kristina Satern, editor-in-chief of the paper, offered me the position, I prayerfully considered the idea and found myself excited about the new opportunity to both write and edit for the news section.

I nervously set out for my first story, the new leadership breakfast the Habeckers were having for student leaders on campus. I expected a group of students eating breakfast as they listened to President Habecker share his insights about leadership and the Bible. To my surprise, both President and Mary Lou Habecker shared more than this – they shared their hearts with the 50 or so students in the room.

After the breakfast, I carefully addressed Mary Lou, expecting her to give me one rushed minute out of her busy day. She gave me a slow-paced 20 minutes instead, even offering me her phone number or a personal visit to her home if my time permitted. During those 20 minutes, I learned more about President Habecker and his delightfully down-to-earth wife than I had ever expected. My story led me to a better understanding of the Habeckers and a greater appreciation for the Christian aspect of my university. I wonder how many other universities possess a president and his wife who share their own personal struggles after reading from the Bible about humility.

Story by Bethany Howard

ILIUM

When I graduated from high school with the production of three yearbooks under my belt, I never thought I would again attempt such a feat. But at the very end of my sophomore year at Taylor, I found myself being hired by the communication department as the editor-in-chief of the Ilium for the 2005-2006 year with only two and a half weeks to pull together a staff. Not being a communication major, I had no idea where to begin. However, God worked in amazing ways and brought together an incredible staff that truly exemplified I Corinthians 12. Each member of the staff brought unique strengths that made our team strong. There were times when we had to push ourselves and each other harder than we were used to, but we got the job done. With the help of such a great, fun, hard-working staff we pulled off the production of yet another yearbook. So here it is; we hope you enjoy.

Story by Jessica Degenhardt



ECHO

First row: Christianna Luy, Kristina Satern, Nate Baggett, Amy Wood, Joe Ringenberg
Second row: Donna Downs, Jared Bane, Jen Moreland, Trevor Kight, DJ Horton, Angela Moore, Ryan Poe, Alisse Goldsmith, Crystal Pollock
Not pictured: Bethany Howard
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



ILIUM

Top row: Chris Horst, Ashley Haag, Jessica Degenhardt, Lindsay Achgill
Bottom row: Amy Horner, Alisse Goldsmith, Beth Westra, DJ Horton, Amy Wood, Lolly York
Photos by Alisse Goldsmith

PRINT MEDIA



WTUR

First row: Angie Poag, Michelle Ball
Second row: Luke Burket, Justin Clupper, Brandon Downs
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



TELEVISION STATION

First row: Trista Hartman, Tim Sutherland, Timothy Deal, Trevor Kight
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

TELEVISION STATION

Sometimes to go further in your journey you have to take a few steps back. This is true with the video production / TV station, which received a total facelift this year.

Two professors joined our team this year, John and Kathy Bruner, and immediately went to work updating and changing the whole system. Editing suites with Final Cut Pro were added, four high definition cameras were purchased, and the TV studio was completely revamped.

A new system of operation was also implemented. A check-out room managed by Taylor media students allowed students the opportunity to create short videos or audio segments for class.

Not only were new systems of operation installed, but also new opportunities were offered. For the first time the video production team was able to film a Taylor theatrical performance. Along with the show, the production team added 45 minutes of behind-the-scenes-footage to complement it.

Students also had the opportunity to participate in a Homeland Security production. Four teams were created and each was responsible for filming a different aspect of the shoot. A fake terrorist attack occurred and local police, FBI, and CIA agents had to respond to the fiasco. Students were responsible for capturing their reactions so the agents could evaluate what they did right and what they needed to improve.

This year was exciting and stressful at times with all of the changes taking place, but an eventful journey with wonderful experiences.

Story by Trista Hartman

AUDIO/VISUAL MEDIA









1 Senior Trista Hartman and sophomore Trevor Kight man the controls for a TV broadcast of chapel.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Dr. Jessica Rousselow-Winquist cuts loose in a hula hoop contest at Airband sponsored by WTUR.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Sophomore Chapel Tech Jonathan Wolf uses WTUR's new station technology to broadcast chapel over the radio.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Sophomore Trevor Kight works to ensure that the TV chapel broadcast goes off without a hitch.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

WTUR

Since June of 2005, WTUR has seen its handful of changes; a new advisor, new staff, new music, even a makeover for the on-air studio. When we started this year, Kathy Bruner, our new advisor, came to the staff with an expectation that we would be involved in or coordinating an event every month of the academic year. This fit well with my goal as the General Manager to increase the station's visibility on campus.

Whether it was a live remote before Airband or Oldies Night in the DC, we worked this year to put ourselves out in front of the student body. We partnered with Real Life to have an Open-Mic Night to raise support at Christmas. We broadcasted the Student Body President debates and provided a new opportunity for those who couldn't be at the debate by listening through Channel 7 and instant messaging questions for the candidates. We hosted an Oldies Night in the D.C. right before Nostalgia Night, and we provided live streaming and broadcasting for Taylathon on the President's Inauguration weekend.

Our year was full of changes. Moving to a music format that fits the student body's listening interests has been one of our successes. Students can enjoy artists like Jonah 33, Third Day, and Sanctus Real along with live student programming like Afternoon Yak and Burket's Brunch, a Saturday morning sports-talk show. Expect even greater things from WTUR in the future.

Story by Justin Clupper



STUDENT AMBASSADORS

First row: Brian Getz, Tala Alhajj, Miriam Gin, Christianna Luy, Jessie Buske, Matthew Gin
Second row: Brittany Davis, Jessica Hicks, Jess Cuthbert, Beth Weingartner
Not pictured: Kate Yoder, Elizabeth Kuhns
Photo by Lisa Ritchie



CREW

First row: Jess Petosa, Aubrey Wright, Mindy Peterson
Second row: Kate Gates, Becky Vogler, Luke Owsley, Jason Rufenacht, Jake Slater
Third row: Amy Nelson, Erica Tappenden, Amye Harvey, Joe Lee, Erica Yoder
Fourth row: Mark Heydlauff, Matt Seifert, Carson Wittig, Drew Smith
Photo by Jim Garringer

ADMISSIONS



VISIT ASSISTANTS
Erin Tobias, Keeley Mills, Jenny Brunk
Photo by Jim Garringer

VISIT ASSISTANTS

"So what is that you do exactly?" is a question that Erin Tobias, Keely Mills and I hear on a regular basis. The job is not as simple as it may seem but it is certainly rewarding. Visit Assistants have the privilege of organizing prospective students' schedules. We set up meetings with professors, coaches and other students. The entire process, from start to finish, takes a considerable amount of time but we get to work with one of the coolest groups on campus – the admissions staff. They are an incredible team.

Each of us has spent numerous nights working on last minute details, yet it is all worth while when we see the prospectives enjoying themselves amongst Taylor's community the following day. Nothing is more rewarding than seeing a friendly interaction between a visiting student and a member of our community. When prospectives visit, they are told that Taylor is different, that it is a place of community. Thanks to our one-of-a-kind student body, this statement is true. So thank you Taylor University, for making our job such a pleasant one and for making Taylor a place that we all hold dear to our hearts.

Story by Jenny Brunk



TELECOUNSELORS
First row: Laura Levon, Corrie Church, Mary Beth Larson, Amy Wong
Second row: Jesse Wilson, Patrick Gray, Eric Miller, Kira Olson
Photo by Jim Garringer

GROUPS



1 Junior Megan VanDam and senior Kacia Hillesland follow the direction of Dr. Jo Ann Rediger at the Welcome Home concert.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Dr. Jo Ann Rediger applauds the music groups at the Welcome Home concert.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 The girls' choir Adoration performs for campus during chapel.
Photo by Jim Garringer





CHORALE

When those of us in the Taylor Chorale refer to ourselves as a family, we do not exaggerate. New members may not immediately understand the ways of the Chorale, and the first couple of months can be trying, but when they are willing to persevere, rewards abound. Every hour in the practice rooms, every moment of anxiety over lotteries, every Sunday morning and Saturday night in concert is a sacrifice well spent. Still, through these sacrifices we are not alone; just as a family we support each other in all aspects of our commitment. Students join the Chorale with various motives: they love to sing, their best friend is in Chorale, they think the flowing black dresses the women wear are just lovely—but regardless of any individual reason for joining, it does not take long before our goal is common. We sing as an act of worship, we sing as a means for ministry.

Dr. Jo Ann Rediger demands excellence and complete commitment from every member of Chorale because she knows it is essential for effective ministry. When we have a concert, we attend to every detail so as to eliminate distractions. We strive to point our audience to the power of Christ through our music so as to glorify God with our song. When we are able to accomplish this, without fail the members of the Chorale are more blessed and ministered to than our audience could ever be. Praise the Lord for his living power at work within us.

Story by Kinsey Fennig

VOCAL



CHORALE

First row: Leeann Ashby, Laura Carlson, Carmen Spencer, Erica Tappenden, Jen Moreland, Jon Block, Jacob Elsts
Second row: Erin Hinnen, Kinsy Fennig, Erin DeWolfe, Kelly Isaacson, Cat Randall, Eric Miller, Nathan Clark, Sean Wightman, Meghan Tapp
Third row: Aaron Leu, Laura Bonness, Sarah Todd, Nathan Jones, Conor Angell, Colby Hadley, Luke Owsley, Sarah Wilson, Anna Perkins
Fourth row: Brittany Hughes, Kathryn St. Cyr, Theresa Henderson, Laura Almdale, Renee Timbie, Andrew Strange, Marcia Ghali, Darren Harris, Brent Maher, Katelyn Bennett, Charity White, Jeff Goodman
Fifth row: Nick Estelle, Robby Sharp, Alexis Steury, Kate Todd, Christine Allen, Janell Keller, Leah Madeja, Kristina Thoryk, Sheena Ilangakoon-Perera
Sixth row: Philip Byers, Jennifer Wolcott, Kyle Norwood, Matthew Hurst, Alex Frank, Mark Heydlauff
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SOUNDS

First row: Megan VanDam, Renee Timbie
Second row: Brent Maher, Cat Randall, Eric Miller, Erin DeWolfe, Andrew Strange, Travis Booth
Third row: Kacia Hillesland, Alexis Steury, Bethany Riggs, Conor Angell, Nathan Jones, Anna Clough, Chrissie Thompson
Fourth row: Blake Sampson, Alex Frank
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ADORATION

First row: Charity White, Mary Lara Guariglia, Lissy Nelson, Katie Davis, Tryphena Chu, Rachael Caldwell, Alison Orpurt, Becky Hargrave, Gretchen Richards, Angie Poag, Dawn Zinn, Amy Fata
Second row: Anne Le Gall, JoAnna Kolbe, Angela Mathis, Lydia Rosensteel, Laci Liggett, Kelly Pugh, Caitlin Herron, Jackie Sanchez, Lauren Johnson, Doris Mvano
Third row: Charity Chaney, Christine Sullivan, Becky Vogler, Bethany Saxe, Christy Sopcisak, Laurie Yardumian, Charity Smith, Jessica Brooks, Rosie Walker, Audra Gustin
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MUSIC

SYMPHONIC BAND

First row: Amanda Taylor, Ashley Pixel, Chad Cowgill, Karmen Low, Amanda Trumbower, Daniel Moore, Matthew Reichert, Michael Fisher
Second row: Tom Cline, Leeann Ashby, Sarah Norton, Ben Jones, David Kasper, Lance Barnett, Ashley Moore, Emily Evans
Third row: Alex Grayson, Bronwen Greenfield, Ann Ebert, Megan Sauder, Ryan Thill, Joy Bernhardt, Emilie Boyes, Nicholas Helderman, Jenell Richardson, Lydia Rosensteel, David Ricca
Fourth row: Kristina Kittle, Sarah Hurliman, Jacklyn Short, Hillary Durie, Michelle Ball, Emily Schmeichel
Fifth row: Mateo Palos, April Bridgham, Brittany Matthews, Josh Grow, Dr. Al Harrison, Sarah Wardle, Brianna Nystrom, Jenni Bates, Elliott Pinegar
Sixth row: Megan O'Brien, Christy Carlson, Janessa Cole, Becky Hargrave
Photo by Jim Garringer





RINGERS

First row: Dr. Richard Parker, Elizabth Franz, April Bridgham, Joy Bernhardt, Kara Gremaux
Second row: Nate Clark, Deanna Robbins, Corrie Chase, Kelly Schmuaker
Third row: Amanda Jackson, Allison Hampton, Liz Linch, Melissa Munn
Photo by Jim Garringer

BELL CHOIR

First row: Annika Mooers, Emily Reel, Katie Ames, Brittany Matthews, Sara Dreyer, Megan Percy
Second row: Nate Jones, Nate Clark, David Pomeroy, Dr. Richard Parker
Photo by Jim Garringer



INSTRUMENTAL







1 Junior Elizabeth Franz and other Ringers have their bells ready to play at a Taylor Ringers concert.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Freshman Lisa Richards plays the bassoon during a rehearsal with the rest of the chamber orchestra for an upcoming concert.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Dr. Christopher Bade directs a chamber orchetra rehearsal.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

ORCHESTRA

"There is no theory. You have only to listen. Pleasure is the law. I love music passionately. And because I love it, I try to free it from barren traditions that stifle it. It is a free art gushing forth, an open-air art boundless as the elements, the wind, the sky, the sea. It must never be shut in and become an academic art."
-Claude Debussy

It is through music we travel the world without leaving the comforts of our home. We are presented with moving melodies and haunting harmonies. In just 45 minutes, one can travel to Russia and "see" 11 paintings created by Viktor Hartmann. One can travel to Germany and take part in the Reformation through Mendelssohn's Symphony #5 in D Major, Reformation. One can dance is Vienna and take part in an old west gunfight. In Orchestra, we do not just sit idly blowing air through our instruments or moving a bow across strings just making music. We dream and voyage around the world and back again just to travel again each time we pick up another piece of music. It is not through words we speak of where we have been. Our journeys, our thoughts, our dreams are conveyed through the power of music to stir the soul. So sit back and listen. Allow your soul to stir and do not fear where it may take you.

Story by Matthew Reichert

MUSIC

DISCIPLESHIP ASSISTANTS

"I want us to all camp out one night. I know of this great place," read the late-September e-mail from Amanda Ekman, English Hall DC.

Great, I thought. It's freezing at night, and I won't get any sleep. This is crazy! A few weeks later, however, I found myself in another English Hall DA's minivan as we followed Amanda to her perfect camping place.

She was right. The camping site was picturesque. Our tent stood next to a pond that was home to two swans, and swinging benches surrounded our little fire.

We sang praise songs that night, and the stars seemed to join in. We made a gooey banana dessert over the open fire, laughing at the mess. We prayed together, and we were vulnerable with each other. It was beautiful.

I slept well that night. Yes, it was freezing. Yes, I was wearing more clothes than I had ever slept in before. Yes, the sound of construction on a nearby pole barn woke me up earlier than I had hoped. Despite all this, however, I awoke with a tight support circle I knew would sustain me throughout the year of stretching ministry.

Story by Chrissie Thompson



DISCIPLESHIP ASSISTANTS

First row: Erin Tobias, Kelsey Welch, Katie James, Angela Moore
Second row: Matt Larson, Michael Farnsley, Becky Hegelein
Photo by Amy Wood



PERSONNEL ASSISTANTS

First row: Skip Trudeau, James Kim, Carrie Austin, Allison Maybray, Nathan McCauley, Ben Taylor, Jesse Kahler, Justin Heth, Nate Pelz, Adam Hanna, Ben Toll, Brodie Sears
Second row: Andrew Singer, Valerie Schmitt, Julianna Hutchins, Megan VanDam, Andrew Lossau, Andrew Smiley, Katie Wilson, Tracie Vriezema, Kathryn Kendall, Anna Davis, Cyrus Keck, Ryan Veldhuizen, Alex Cole
Third row: Missy Chambless, Jenny Wilhelms, Jenna Hanchey, John Bundick, Mitch Young, Jordan Solem, Courtney Wanemacher, Erin Haymond, Tim VanReenen, Adam Lehman, Caleb Farmer
Fourth row: Katie Rousopoulos, Katie Ostermeier, Nicole Novak, Todd Buerstatte, Josh Linderman, Ryan Anderson, Jimmy Zimmerman, Brent Freeman, Noel Birkey, Kyle Dupont, Jonas Herum
Fifth row: Elizabeth Tatum, Kerrie Schene, Samantha Briggs, Katherine Baker, Justin Joyner, Robbie Miller, Jake Drake, Emily Hunt, Steve Morley
Sixth row: Jen Hillier, Julie Rohrlack, Heidi Oliver, Joy Resetar, Heidi Prillwitz, Jenny Courter, Sarah Toldt, Laura Rodeheaver, Natalie Irwin, Shelly Casbarro, Mel Domsten, Elizabeth Davies, Jessica Beck, Jeane Baker, Katie Hettinga, Jen Walsh, Sara Hightower, Andrew Smith, David Ricca, Jill Godorhazy

PERSONNEL ASSISTANTS

While most Taylor students were enjoying the last few days of summer, PAs from all over campus packed their bags (and spandex) and headed north for a weekend full of biking, camaraderie, and of course, fudge. Mackinac Island was the setting for the annual bike trip where Taylor's PAs got together to relax and reflect before the fall semester.

While we did enjoy the beautiful scenery of the island, a favorite part of the trip was making friendships with men and women from all the dorms and shattering the stereotypes some of us had once held. We were able to share our aspirations and anxieties about the year ahead and spend time in prayer with one another. The PAs returned to Upland with their renewed sense of community, ready to lead the campus toward that same unified destination.

Story by Ben Taylor and Kerrie Schene

ASSISTANTS



DISCIPLESHIP COORDINATORS
First row: Sara Bonness, Corrie Chase, Alicia Chew
Second row: Matt Read, Philip Byers, Cody Cramer
Not pictrued: Amanda Ekman, Ashley Mabie
Photo by Amy Wood

DISCIPLESHIP COORDINATORS

The first week back after summer didn't start slow or gradual as we jumped on our bikes at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday morning with the Chapel Coordinators and Randy for a 45 mile bike trip on the bike path in and around Muncie. Some of the group ended up missing a turn, but after about two miles and a dead end, realized this fact and reunited with the rest of the group. Halfway through, Patty Stigers, the campus ministries secretary, but so much more, greeted us at a picnic site with delicious homemade pasta salad and Gatorade.

Although this lunch didn't make us ready to jump back on to a bunch bikes, borrowed in many cases, with our novice aching rear ends, we kept on trekking. We were far from cycling connoisseurs, with the exception of Sara Bonness, but we stuck together until the end with Sara, Corrie, Alicia and Amanda finishing first with a lot of pushing from each other. That bike trip set the tone for a year that has been filled with pushing one another towards holiness, an amazing level of vulnerability, and a lot of prayer, fasting and sharing more meals made by Nancy Gruendyke. Amen.
Story by Amanda Ekman

CHAPEL COORDINATORS

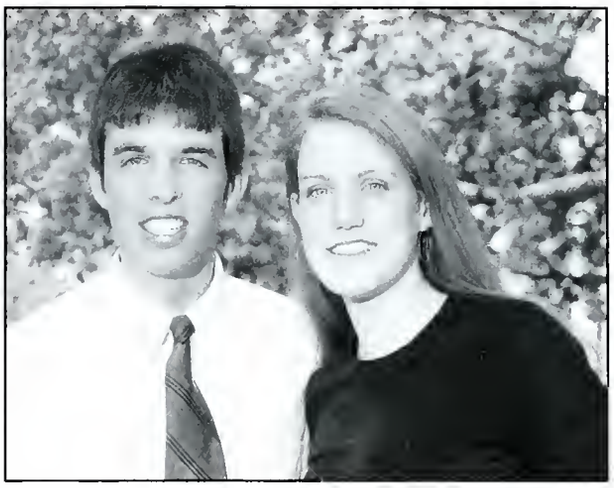
As the Chapel Coordinators plan and promote corporate worship across campus, they ensure that chapel is always a fast-paced and invigorating experience that keeps us focused on Christ and the Scriptures. We often say that "it only takes one chapel to change a person's life." We plan chapels, audition groups, and work with speakers in anticipation that chapel will be a life-changing experience. We are encouraged and satisfied to see students hurrying into chapel, ready to bring an offering before their Creator.

This year we have placed special emphasis on the role of diversity in our chapels. As we discover how immense our God is, we see that He is truly larger than the styles of corporate worship that we are accustomed to. Therefore, we plan a service that is entirely liturgy from the Book of Common Prayer. We plan chapels in which no words are spoken. We plan chapels in which we sing music that requires us to leave our comfort zones and forget ourselves. We plan chapels in which we see truth in the beauty of skillful dances and poignant dramas. We experience and respond to God in ways that represent the diversity of His creation. We consider it a privilege to facilitate a program in which a loving community comes together to discover and apply God's Word to their lives.
Story by Brent Maher



CHAPEL COORDINATORS
First row: Brent Maher, Brian Field, Brad Haring
Second row: Callie Bradley, Wendy McConnell, Beck Vogler
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

COORDINATORS



ACTING ON AIDS CO-DIRECTORS
Andrew Miles and Laura Knosp
Photo by Jim Garringer



YOUTH CONFERENCE CO-DIRECTORS
Kristi Yoder and Ross Chapman
Photo by Jim Garringer



TAYLOR CHRISTIAN ARTISTS CO-DIRECTORS
Rebecca Roembke and Heather Arcano
Photo by Jim Garringer



WORLD OPPORTUNITIES WEEK CO-DIRECTORS
Ashley Gale and Kari Barrows
Photo by Jim Garringer



SPRING BREAK CO-DIRECTORS
Carols Moran and Jason Kistler
Photo by Jim Garringer

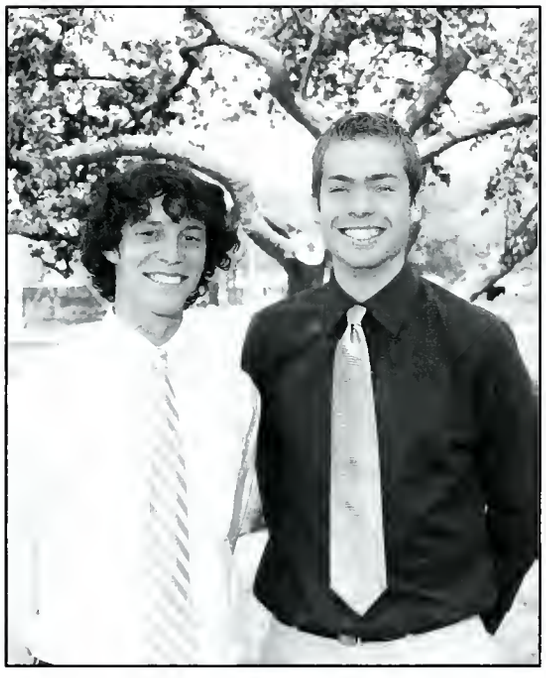
TAYLOR WORLD



LIGHTHOUSE CO-DIRECTORS
Michelle Jongsma and Betsy Smith
Photo by Jim Garringer



WORLD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CO-DIRECTORS
Margie Davis and Val Harle
Photo by Jim Garringer



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CO-DIRECTORS
Drew Hamer and Brad Klaver
Photo by Jim Garringer



COMMUNITY OUTREACH CO-DIRECTORS
Jacob Wilson and Chris Horst
Photo by Jim Garringer

OUTREACH CABINET



LIONS CLUB DIRECTOR

Leeann Ashby

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



ESL DIRECTORS

Amy Wong and Kristen Long

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



MENTOR MOMS DIRECTORS

Dan Haller and Stephanie Sutton

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

LIONS CLUB

In late November, a group of over 20 Taylor students gathered in front of Rediger to sort lenses for Hurricane Katrina victims. It was so great to see a variety of students come together and donate their time to the Katrina victims! It was such a great opportunity because it was an easy way to help the Katrina victims from where we were, since most of us could not go on a mission trip to New Orleans.

Our task was to get all the same prescriptions grouped together in one box; we felt like we were playing Go Fish! We would be yelling down the line, "Does anyone have any -150s?" The over 35,000 lenses we sorted were later paired with frames by a team in New Orleans.

Leeann Ashby

MENTOR MOMS

The Mentor Moms ministry has undergone many transitions and changes this year. The people in charge at the YWCA have come and gone, many of the families have moved on and new faces are coming in. It's so neat to look for the places that God is at work within this organization.

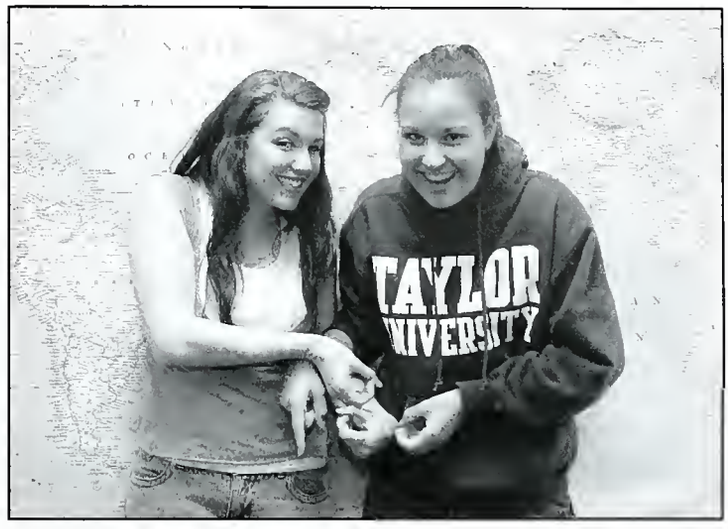
A special element of Mentor Moms this year was the individual relationships that were built throughout the year. Many of the girls spent time at their 'mom's' home with her and her kids, or sometimes they even had a chance to go out to one of Marion's lovely establishments. It is such a blessing to be able to know these women!

Stephanie Sutton

COMMUNITY



NURSING HOME MINISTRY DIRECTOR
Lauren Johnson
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



180 DIRECTORS
Stephanie Sutton and Bliss Barber
Not pictured: Gabe Henderson
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



ONE-ON-ONE DIRECTORS
Amanda Jackson and Natalie Irwin
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



OPERATION WHEELCHAIR DIRECTORS
Kendra Millington and Ryan Fuoss
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

OUTREACH



REAL LIFE DIRECTORS
Jennifer Miller and Ashley Barthelson
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

TAYLOR DISABILITY OUTREACH

Taylor Disability Outreach has blessed me in ways that I cannot even begin to describe with words. The beauty and simplicity of these people have taught me more about Christ than I ever thought possible and my time with them each Saturday is priceless. The Lord knew exactly what He was doing when He gave me the opportunity to work with such an incredible group of people who consistently love me.
Tracy Yoder



TAYLOR DISABILITY OUTREACH DIRECTORS
Tracy Yoder and Chris Horst
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

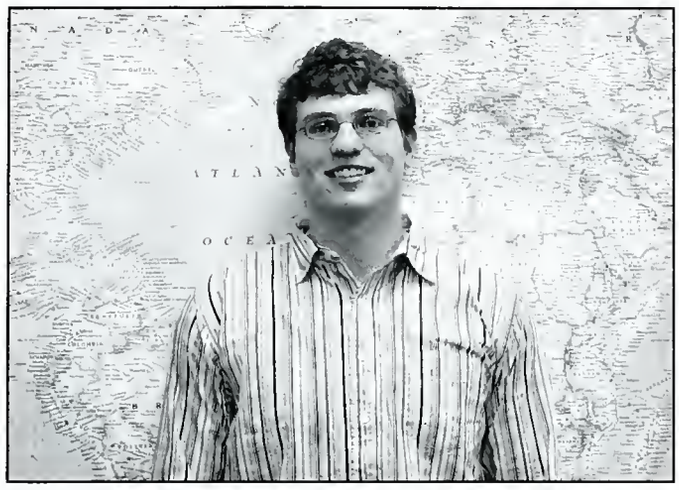


BALL STATE OUTREACH DIRECTORS
Ashley Gale and David Wolverton
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



U-TURN DIRECTORS
Lauren Paul and Jen Bleser
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

COMMUNITY



SERVICE REPRESENTATIVES
Cyrus Keck
Not pictured: Matt Voss, Marie Bonjour
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



CAMPUS LIFE DIRECTORS
Emily Aikins and Corie Boroski
Not pictured: Chris Williams, Brandon Kightlinger, Sara Schupra
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



BASSYCS DIRECTORS
Laura Levon, Joe Manier and Justin Clupper
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



CITY LIFE DIRECTORS
Matt Murray and Julie Heth
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

BASSYCS

BASSYCS was busy this year, with record-breaking numbers of kids streaming through the doors of UCC on Wednesday nights. Even though we have had a blast on our swimming, laser tag, and Chuck E. Cheese trips, one of our most exciting events occurred on a normal night of club when 20 kids committed their lives to following Christ! It's been a blessing to talk more with these kids about their life-changing decisions.

Laura Levon

OUTREACH



TAYLOR CHRISTIAN ARTISTS DIRECTORS

Heather Arcano, Rebecca Roembke

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

First row: Ben Stutzmen, Rob Bedinghaus, Elizabeth Davies, Elizabeth Kuhns, Drew Tomasik, Noel Birkey, Christy Carlson, Sara Bonness, Julie Rabb

Second row: Mark Penner, Wes Krider, Brad Klaver, Kyle Holloway, Drew Hamer, Philip Byers, Tom Smillie, Lili Vargas, Heidi Prillwitz, Kelsey Cunningham

Photo by Kyle Holloway



ACTING ON AIDS

First row: Krista Symington, Meaghan O'Neil, Jaclyn Ziemba

Second row: Laura Kelley, Valerie Long, Jenny Hunt, Jenny Gill, Kevin Little, Mekael Teshoma

Third row: Laura Knosp, Andrew Miles, Marcia Ghali, Bekah Shenk, Stephan Leman

Not pictured: Matt Mancinelli, Kate Todd, Kaitlyn Dugan, Jessica Hyne, Ben Jones, Josiah Hatfield, Dar Fieberg, Heather Jordan, Becky Hargrave

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



WORLD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

First row: Jenny Gallagher, Valerie Harle, Margie Davis

Second row: Megumi Johnston, Tab Grubb

Third row: Rebekah Bergens

Not pictured: Matthew Josten, Rachel Dodge, Kaitlyn Dugan, Britt Kroll

Photo by Amy Wood

ACTING ON AIDS

"History will record this moment in time as the time of the Internet and the war against terrorism... but it will also record how we deal with Africa and AIDS and how a whole continent burst into flames while we stood around with watering cans." -Bono

This year, Taylor took these words seriously. Thanks to the work of our parent organization, the former World Christian Fellowship, this year Acting on AIDS (AoA) was born as a new organization under TWO and headed toward a goal of educating the Taylor Campus about the AIDS crisis and raising a million dollars toward the situation.

Besides hosting various speakers, running the Rice and Beans dinner, sending a team of artists to Emmaus ministries in Chicago over spring break to paint a mural, holding a March for Orphans, and doing a petition signing on World AIDS Day, two large events stood out this year. The first was the first annual AoA Christmas Catalogue, sent to the entire student body and faculty, which raised $46,000 for AIDS in Swaziland, Thailand, Kenya, and various other countries.

The second was the first national AoA Student Leadership Summit in February at Taylor. Over 40 universities and 600 people came to learn more about the AIDS crisis around the world. As the students filtered onto the campus and into sessions, they learned about how AIDS is being spread, and how they can be involved in dealing with the AIDS crisis, and they had a chance to network with other students who care about the issue. It was a landmark year for Taylor University.

Story by Andrew Miles and Laura Knosp

TAYLOR WORLD









1 Sophomore Rob Bedinghaus and juniors Drew Hamer and Noel Birkey play with some of the local boys on the Habitat for Humanity spring break trip to El Salvador.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Senior Megan Befus helps students sign in at the Acting on AIDS Student Leadership Summit held on Taylor's campus.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Freshmen Meg McAlister, Mike Tokarski, and Anne Lacuesta lead worship at a fall concert of the Taylor Christian Artists.
Photo by Amy Wood

4 Junior Laura Knosp interviews Princess Kasune-Zulu during chapel prior to the Acting on AIDS Leadership Summit.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

WORLD CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Five students are sitting at the nicely set table, contently eating their lasagna, garlic bread, gourmet salad, and chocolate cake. The rest of the students are in two groups; 15 are seated at desks in a circle, eating a light meal of chicken and rice, trying awkwardly not to look at those indulging so close to them. The other 25 students are scattered on the floor trying hard to eat the meager rice portion set before them, with their hands and scraps of plates. It is amazing how even though you think you are aware of the issues, God can still speak to your heart. The students who participated in the hunger banquet were distributed in a ragged attempt to represent the world's population and how it eats. The five represented us, overfed Americans.

By participating in World Christian Fellowship this year, I thought I would be helping others to see the need around the world, but instead, my eyes were opened further than I could have ever imagined. The amazing thing is, with all of the physical need, the spiritual problems are what exist under the surface. God has called us. "The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove the disgrace of his people from all the earth" Is. 25:8.

Story by Rachel Dodge

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

This year Habitat for Humanity was all about new destinations. Taylor's Habitat for Humanity chapter was a part of several projects within Marion including an exciting Blitz Build that involved nearly 80 Taylor students, parents and community members. Within the course of a day, what started as a simple foundation became a freestanding home with windows, doors and a roof. It was a blessing to have so many Taylor students participate in this unique experience and serve for a genuine purpose.

Another destination for Habitat this year was a spring break trip to El Salvador. The purpose of this trip was to share the love of Christ with people through assisting in building homes for families in need. The 16 students and two sponsors were given the intense responsibility of digging and laying the foundations for four different homes. Throughout the week these students were able to see the heights and depths of the Lord's astonishing work and experience just how big the God that we serve is. We are all thankful for the destinations that Habitat for Humanity has been taken to this year and hope that in the future the Lord will provide more destinations to serve through this ministry.

Story by Brad Klaver

OUTREACH



1 Sophomores Rachel Caldwell and Luke Owsley lead worship during International orientation.
Photo by Amy Wood



2 Three Rivers Jimbe Ensemble perform traditional African music and dancing at the invitation of AHANA.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Senior Thomas Jackson battles for the ball during a soccer game at MuKappa's spring retreat.
Photo by Amy Wood





4 Jason Gay lights up the stage as a guest of AHANA for a coffeehouse during the Acting on AIDS summit. Scott Erickson painted a moving picture behind the performance.
Photo by Amy Wood

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SOCIETY

We had a few interesting times this year; one in particular was the trip to Chicago for Fall Break. We stayed at a hostel in the rural part of the city, not the one we originally planned on staying at, but it was quite an experience none-the-less. Our goal in taking trips like this one is to have our students bond, enjoy activities outside of Taylor, and at the same time make it an educational experience. For example, this trip we took a tour of the Field Museum. Being from different countries with all kinds of great foods, we also often get together and eat up a storm. One event oriented around food was last semester's "International Food Night" at the International Souphouse. Students cooked various dishes from the Caribbean, Asia, Africa and the South Americas to share. It was a lot of fun, and a learning experience for those who had never tried some of those dishes before.

Story by Kristen Johnson

MUKAPPA

I've always enjoyed spending time with the MKs and TCKs (a person who has lived between two or more cultures for a significant period during his developmental years) involved in MuKappa. When I was a freshman I was welcomed and soon had a passion to help those people, who like myself were adjusting to the US and Taylor, feel comfortable. This year, I have had the privilege to be the president of MuKappa and invest in new ways in the ministry God has placed me in.

Something we do regularly is get together and make homemade Chai tea (the recipe has been passed on over the years and perfected by many). We call these gatherings "Chai Chats." We've had two this year that stand out uniquely in my memory. The one in February was one on travel advice. I enjoyed learning new things about countries I could only dream of visiting. Need some tips? If you go to Bolivia and are the guest of honor- you may get the chicken claw in your soup- just smile and chew on it! If you have recently moved to Papua New Guinea, be sure to take good care of your cat- if your neighbor takes it and you haven't seen it for a while–try to be happy for them, they may be having very a good dinner!

Story by Elizabeth Greenman

ASIAN AWARENESS ASSOCIATION

The Asian Awareness Association is a student-led organization that seeks to promote Asian heritage, traditions, and art through fun events and social gatherings with the intention of developing globally minded Christians. During the fall semester of this year, Professor Takahara of the Physics department spoke to Taylor students about the Japanese internment camps during World War II. Being a second generation Japanese, his parents came to the United States and settled in the west coast before the war broke out. After the Japanese troops attacked Pearl Harbor, Japanese emigrants throughout the United States were forced out of their homes, stripped of all belongings, and relocated to live in the Japanese Internment camps until it was "safe" for them to return to their homes. Professor Don Takahara conveyed many gripping, untold, stories experienced by his parents during WWII. Many students where unaware of what really took place during the tumultuous period of the mid-1940s, but those who attended the meeting left well-informed and with a greater sense of gratitude for peace in the United States.

Story by Alicia Chew

INTERNATIONAL



ASIAN AWARENESS ASSOCIATION
First row: Sarah Hayhurst, Rachael Caldwell, Kaye Patton, Megumi Johnston, Elizabeth Owsley
Second row: Andrew Miles, Jonathan Hamilton, Alicia Chew, Ashley Black, Ian Kee
Photo by Amy Wood



AHANA
First row: Lindsey Cokkinias, Tala Alhajj, Berkeley Robison
Second row: Benjamin Rosado, Tamara Shaya, Crystal Campos
Not pictured: Anna Weissman, Austin Bennett
Photo by Amy Wood

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SOCIETY
First row: Gloria Havyarimana, Alicia Chew, Kristen Johnson, Christine Lee, Dionne Osman
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



AHANA

On September 23, 2005, AHANA brought in Berto Ramon, a Latino Jazz/Hip Hop band to Taylor. Ten band members entertained the crowd with their lyrics and energy. Berto Ramon sang songs such as "Native Tongues," "Concrete," "La Libertad" and more. About 200 students sang to the band's lyrics and moved to the Latino music. The multicultural band used the violin, congas, guitar, bass and more to create a vibrant sound for the student body.

Students such as junior Brittany Davis benefited from the concert. "It was fun to experience music from another culture and I really enjoyed the style and message of the band. Berto Ramon brought a fresh cultural insight to Taylor students," Davis said.

After the concert, students enjoyed Latino cuisine, consisting of rice and beans, plantains, arroz con leche (rice pudding), salsa and chips and more. The concert was a huge success and both students and faculty talked about the performance for weeks.

Story by Tamara Shaya



MUKAPPA
First row: Lara Banker, Dave Brainer, Amy Wood, Heather James, Beth Eisinger
Second row: Steven Clegg, John Walt, Eli Greenman, David Bertsche, Marie Kuehl, Mike Assis
Photo by Amy Wood

STUDENT GROUPS



ALPHA PI IOTA

Susan Jevert, Kendra Millington, Amanda Jackson, Tim Burkholder

Not pictured: Scott Schmeissing

Photo by Amy Wood



TAYLOR ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS STUDENTS

First row: Meredith Anderson, Mark Lewis, Ben Rosado, Jessica Wittebols

Second Row: Rachel Hughes, Junice Czarnecki, Becca Miller, Joy Bernhardt

Third row: Ross Bowen, Mallory McClain, Tim Conrad, Joel Kempson, Jake Edgerton, Chip Adams, Greg Etheridge

Not pictured: Kelsey Cunningham

Photo by Aaron Bengtson

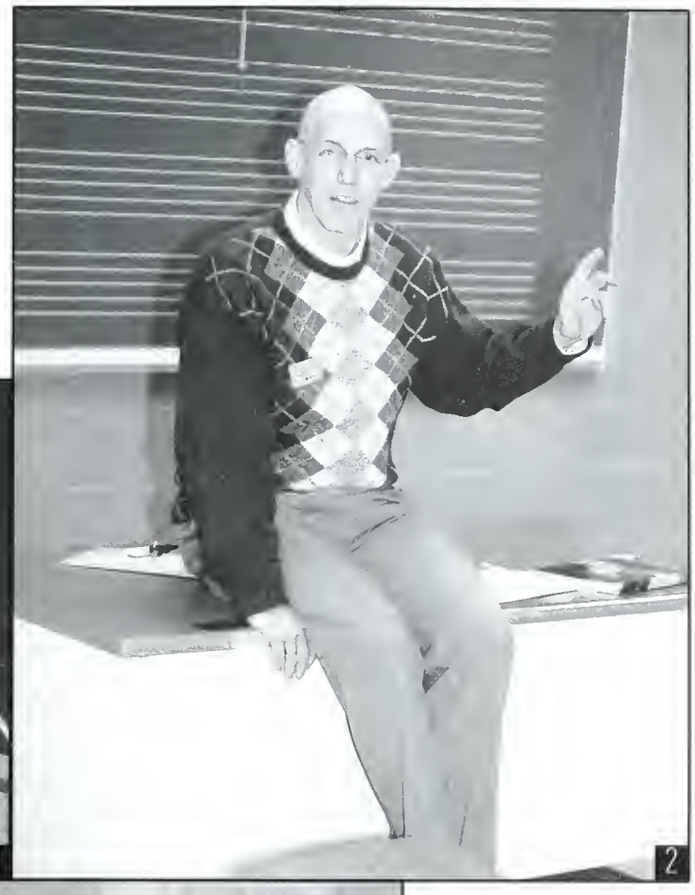
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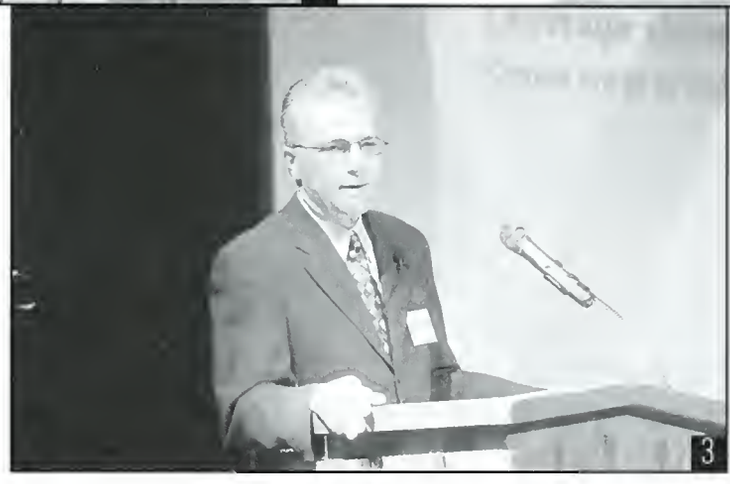
The 2005/2006 school year was an exciting year for the Taylor Association of Business Students (TABS). Our central focus this year was the annual TABS business conference. Our conference theme was titled "Dream Big: Discovering True Direction Day by Day" which focused on the three areas of dreams/goals, finding direction in Christ, and making each day matter. Twenty-one guest speakers in the fields of business, law, engineering, and communication came from all over the country to share their wisdom and experience by way of keynote lectures and breakout seminars. The three keynote speakers were Doug Kight, vice president of The Boeing Company, Cindy Marrelli, '84 Taylor graduate and former senior VP of Electrolux Corporation, and Clyde Rauch, CEO of Tuttle Services, Inc. Over 200 people attended the conference, which consisted of Taylor students, alumni, faculty, and local community business leaders. While reaching our destination of having a successful conference was exciting and fulfilling, the lifelong lessons we learned along the journey leading up to the conference are what we will take with us long after we leave Taylor University.

Story by Mark Lewis

ALPHA PI IOTA







1 Sophomore Meredith Anderson introduces one of the speakers for this year's TABS business conference.
Photo by DJ Horton

2 Dr. Gregory Poland, a physician at Mayo Clinic, talks to the members of Alpha Pi Iota about how to prepare for and apply to medical school.
Photo by DJ Horton

3 The keynote speaker of the TABS business conference, Doug Kight, brings advice from his own experience as a vice president of the Boeing Company
Photo by DJ Horton

ALPHA PI IOTA

Jumping into a car with three upperclassmen and a Taylor alum, all of whom I had never met before, to drive six hours down to Lexington, Kentucky to stay with a couple none of us had ever met, and to go to conference I knew little about was a bit intimidating, to say the least. But going to the Global Missions Health Conference in the fall of 2005 had to be one of most inspiring trips I have ever taken. Uniting with undergraduates, graduates, med students, residents, doctors, nurses, and so many other Christian health professionals helped me to see the goal that God has for our lives. It became so much more than just fetal pig dissections and evapotranspiration and cellular metabolic processes. I was able to see into the hearts of men and women who were seeking to serve our Lord's people by offering healthcare, not just to the people around us, but also to those who live in war-torn or impoverished situations all over the world. The most important thing, though, was that they did not just want to offer temporary physical healing, but wanted that to complement the eternal spiritual peace that comes with knowing who our Savior really is. The encouragement that they provided me and each other must have been what is written in 1 Thessalonians 5:11: "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing."

Story by Rachel Dodge

TABS









1 Sophomores Becky Vogler and Brad Haring lead worship during the sophomore coffeehouse sponsored by Inter-Class Council.
Photo by Amy Wood

2 Sophomore Jasmin Snyder prepares the refreshments as part of Integration of Faith and Culture for this year's Film Fest.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Junior Rachael Cusack and senior Aaron Baldwin kick off Film Fest as this year's emcees.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Junior John Teune, freshman Blake Stratton, and senior Brad Johnston present the award for best supporting actor at Film Fest.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

STUDENT ACTIVITIES COUNCIL

The purpose of SAC (Student Activities Council) is not only to create fun and meaningful events for the student body but also to build and maintain relationships through those events. Sometimes that may seem difficult because of setbacks we run into, but by God's grace, everything works out.

For SAC, this year has revolved around change. The Ice Cream Social being the first event of the year took place inside the Dining Commons due to rain. My cabinet was a bit dispirited because the tradition of having it in front of the Sammy Statues meant a lot. However, the Dining Commons proved to be the perfect location and made for a wonderful event.

Another change that occurred this year revolved around the Taylor Lake. Because of the lack of water, the SAC/ICC Boat Regatta never took place and the Tin Man Triathlon had a slight adjustment. Through it all, things worked out even if plan A turned to plan B. It just goes to show that God was behind it all and this year of change was not so bad.

Story by Yumi Kim

INTEGRATION OF FAITH AND CULTURE

IFC has spent the year toiling tirelessly (also known as swapping wisecracks over show and tell in our meetings) to bring to light new and intriguing art, thought, music, or just good stories. We've had book discussions with Lauren Winner and David Dark, tapped our feet (never dancing, of course) to Lovedrug, Denison Witmer, and our own campus songwriters. We also perused cleverly illustrated issues of our journal, the Integration of Ink and Paper, while anticipating watching films like *North Country*, *Million Dollar Baby*, or *Singin' In The Rain* with our fellow students in trusty Metcalf 002.

I think most importantly, though, IFC has become more than a group of people meeting to talk about what made them think or what seems trendy, we've become friends interested in each others' diverse interests—from comics to art films to architecture to philosophy to fashion to theology to world travel to food to surfing to computers and beyond. This is what we've endeavored to share this year—the richness of our diverse culture, colored brilliantly by our faith.

Story by Natasha Kaminsky

STUDENT

INTER-CLASS COUNCIL
Inter-Class Council, no, we're not SAC,
But creativity and fun we do not lack.
We plan Airband, the Christmas party, Taylathon, and class events,
Yeah, those are really the only things we represent.
Hilty's our Pres. with seniors Ela, Courtney, and Chad.
Without their leadership (and awesomeness) we'd all go mad.
Juniors Gabe, Adam, Caite, and Erin K. are the creative bunch,
While sophomores Natalie, Mark, Erin F., and Beth get stuff done in a crunch.
Josh, Jessica, Jimmy, and Emily are the spirited freshmen,
Your trusty class officers, we'll provide fun time and time again.
Story by Elizabeth Peiffer



INTEGRATION OF FAITH AND CULTURE
First row: Rachel Cusack, Jasmin Snyder, Elise Romines
Second row: Joe Pennington, Matt Larson, Joe Ringenberg, Natasha Kaminsky, Aaron Harrison, Sean Moriarty
Third row: Michael Goodrich, Stephen Sper, Matt Helmholz, Nate B. Clark
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



INTER-CLASS COUNCIL
First row: Erin Fitzgerald, Natalie Beange
Second row: Emmanuela Rusu, Catie Kokrda, Courtney Wanemacher, Emily Bergstrom
Third row: Mark Boone, Matt Hilty, Jimmy Glasheen, Josh Hibschman, Adam Pechtel, Chad Cowgill
Not pictured: Erin Kinzer, Beth Peiffer, Gabe Henderson, Jessica Brooks
Photo by Amy Wood



STUDENT ACTIVITIES COUNCIL
First row: Alyssa Allen, Kristen Marsh, Ashley Donnell, Abby Baldwin, Yumi Kim
Second row: Justin Zimmerman, Lori Twycross, Mike Harrell, Joel Donnell, Emily Wallace
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

COUNCILS



LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CABINET

First row: Alexandra Fillmore, Jill Hamilton
Second row: Jillian Marsh, Jessica Cuthbert, Kathryn Kendall
Third row: Nate Antiel, Drew Tomasik, Andrew Marston, Ryan Veldhuizen
Not pictured. Andrew Miles, John Chako, Beth Weingartner, Sheena Ilangakoon-Perera, Ashleigh Greenwell, Justin Noelle, Kinsey Fennig
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



STUDENT SENATE

First row: Chad Urbanick, Kristina Satern, Meaghan D'Neil
Second row: Matt Stallings, Mark Heydlauff, Leslie Leak, Tom Ganz
Not pictured: Joel Brunk, Adam Bolce, Margaret Gulliford
Photo by Amy Wood

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Leadership Development is dedicated to the Leadership Initiative of Taylor (LiT) that seeks to disciple, train, challenge, and encourage leaders so that their Taylor experiences are valuable long after graduation. Vice President Jill Hamilton and 16 students make it happen.

The Habeckers jumped on board this year by sharing lessons from Scripture with students during Leadership Breakfasts on Tuesday mornings, coordinated by Christine Lee and Sheena Ilangakoon-Perera. Jonathan Chacko and Kinsey Fennig took Light@Night seminars to new heights with challenging speakers like Dwight Knight and Dr. Bill Heth. Alex Fillmore made sure that 10 outstanding servant-leaders were recognized for their participation in LiT with 10 percent of tuition scholarships for the 2006-07 school year.

NSLC 2006 focused on learning to lead in a culture of constant change. Soong-Chan Rah challenged our foundational beliefs about leadership, emphasizing the importance of truth and authenticity in a post-modern world. Author Lauren Winner focused on the role of technology in changing our culture and hosted a book talk about her newest release, Real Sex: The Naked Truth about Chastity. Interactive workshops, swapshops, and interaction with student leaders from other universities rounded out this weekend of intense leadership training.

Nate Antiel, Jess Cuthbert, Ashleigh Greenwell, Kathryn Kendall, Jillian Marsh, Andy Marston, Andrew Miles, Justin Noelle, Drew Tomasik, Ryan Veldhuizen, and Beth Weingartner handled communication, encouragement, details, budgets, and web site design, making this an exciting year of growth as individuals, friends, and leaders.

Story by Jill Hamilton

LEADERSHIP



ORIENTATION LEADERS CABINET

Barb Bailey, Laura Rizzo, Jeff Waye, Laci Liggett, Cat Kelleher
Photo by Amy Wood

ORIENTAION LEADERS

O-leaders understand the responsibility they have in orienteering freshmen to the joys and wonders of Taylor. They realize the importance of meeting with freshmen every week to ease them into the college lifestyle, and they know how to drive the campus vans. Before he or she is allowed to receive freshmen into his or her grasp, every O-leader is required to learn to operate the campus vans.

As part of our leadership training week, we were required to watch the van training video. This video enlightened our understanding about what it truly means to be a leader. A leader looks both ways before stepping on the gas. A leader makes sure that he can always see the person directing him as he backs into a parking spot.

However, an O-leader never drives a campus van. I know I speak for every O-leader when I say that we thoroughly enjoyed our movie-going experience.

We also learned through being O-leaders the art of organizing nametags. Nothing says fun like 500 nametags and 60 groups to stick them all in! So, everyone knows that O-leaders are experts in leading freshmen and helping them grow. O-leaders are experts in the art of nametag-placing and van-driving. So if you are looking for someone to make nametags for you, drive you around town in style, or orienteer you to campus life, be sure to look up an O-leader!

Story by Josh Zehnder

PRESS SERVICES

Trees must hate the Press Services Board. Each week the staff went through several reams of paper to promote TSO events via handouts, posters, the Interchange and the News of the Day.

Unlike other TSO cabinets, Press Services advertised events rather than planning them. Under the leadership of senior Zack Barker, the six member team employed design, layout and editorial talents to serve the student body's information needs. Graphic designers seniors Katie Brose, Aaron Leu and Vanessa McCants produced fliers for concerts, lectures and activities. Editor Chris Salzman, senior, published essays and ideas in his weekly Interchange. Public Relations Officer Amy Wood, sophomore, disseminated basic information about upcoming events to various campus media. I edited and designed the bi-weekly announcement bulletin the News of the Day.

While advertising for TSO created an excellent outlet for our creative juices, the job made for a lot of dead trees. At least we recycle.

Story by Megan Elder



PRESS SERVICES

First row: Zack Barker, Aaron Leu, Vanessa McCants
Second row: Amy Wood, Katie Brose, Megan Elder
Not pictured: Chris Salzman
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

ORGANIZATIONS





1 Seniors Ross Chapman and Justin Joyner lead worship for the Men's Conference which addressed the issue of homosexuality
Photo by DJ Horton

2 Leslie Ludy and her husband Eric address the Taylor women as the keynote speakers at this year's Women's conference.
Photo by Amy Wood

3 Michelle Bade speaks on the Women's Conference theme of princes and princesses during one of the many available workshops.
Photo by Amy Wood

MEN'S MINISTRIES

The Men's Ministries Cabinet decided to take Men's Conference in somewhat of a different direction this year. Wanting to address something that we felt the Church as a whole was failing to appropriately address, we chose to confront the men on our campus on the issue of homosexuality. Men were challenged to think about and respond to homosexuality (an issue we believe is not soon to go away) the way Christ would respond. We were excited to see men respond to the conference by becoming more open to sharing their struggles, whether they are with same-sex attraction, or one of myriad other struggles men have. Other men had their eyes opened as they saw the relevance of the issue, as some of their own brothers and sisters struggle in this area. We were thankful to see God working in the lives of the men who attended Men's Conference.

Story by Andrew Ulasich

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

There is a beauty within every woman that belongs to Christ, a beauty that must be nourished and developed. Too often it is ignored, thought of as foolishness, but there is nothing foolish in the approval of Christ. The desire of the Women's Ministry through events such as Women's Conference and B.Y.O.C. is to help remind the women on campus who their true prince really is. Not the cliché, not the knight in shining armor upon his faithful steed with the happily-ever-after attachment, but a king in all his glory who has gone to war to win the heart of his bride. A king who has come to displace the lies of insignificance, of potential perfection, of control is waiting. He is the destination. He is the story.

Story by Jenny Walton

COMMUNITY LIFE



TSO EXECUTIVE CABINET

First row: Dionne Osman, Kelly McGunnigal
Second row: Yumi Kim, Jill Hamilton, Gloria Havyarimana, Cammy Miller, Natasha Kaminsky
Third row: Steve Austin, Matt Mancinelli, Zach Barker, Matt Stallings, Matt Hilty
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



FINANCE CABINET

Gloria Havyarimana
Photo by Amy Wood



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

First row: Jenny Walton, Allie Laman, Kristin Wong, Deanna Haney
Second row: Brittany Davis, Lindsey Davis, Jennifer Kistler
Not pictured: Caroline Poland, Megan Speicher
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



MEN'S MINISTRIES

First row: Neil Aeschliman, Luke Dwsley, Seth Barnes
Second row: Justin Nevies, Peter Schweitzer, Tyler Kesler, Andrew Ulasich
Photo by Amy Wood



COMMUNTY LIFE

First row: Cammy Miller, Erin Meffley, Kristen Wong
Second row: Neil Aeschliman, Jessi Nagel, Brittany Davis, Andrew Ulasich
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TSO



CAREER PLANNING ASSISTANTS

First row: Larry Mealy, J.T. Demaree
Second row: Kim Duncan, Shannon Wilson, Rachel Dodge
Third row: Julie Rabb, Doris Mveno, Krista Ely
Fourth row: Nick Helderman, Matt Rifka
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



1 Junior Carmen Spencer, freshman Meghan Tapp, junior Kinsey Fennig, sophomore Kelsey Dufendach, and junior John Chacko belt out a praise song with the rest of Unity for corporate worship during chapel.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Sophomore Krista Ely helps freshman Aaron Hoesli use the computer in the new Pro Shop.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Seniors Callie Bradley and Brian Field lead worship for the first chapel of the school year.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE

First row: Matt Read, Brent Maher, Brad Haring
Second row: Amanda Ekman, Callie Bradley, Becky Vogler, Sara Bonness, Corrie Chase, Alicia Chew
Third row: Randy Gruendyke, Cody Cramer, Brian Field, Philip Byers
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

CAREER PLANNING



BEDINGHAUS BAND

First row: Kacia Hillesland, Joe Essenburg, Brandon Fitzsimmons
Second row: Cam Brennan, Rob Bedinghaus, Ben Taylor, Michael Farnsley
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



UNITY

First row: Celby Hadley, Zach Meyer
Second row: Lance Barnett, Jeremy Miller, Kinsey Fennig, Carmen Spencer
Third row: Chris Jetter, Kelsey Dufendach, Meghan Tapp
Not pictured: John Chacko
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



WORSHIP BAND

First row: Audrey Beeson, Callie Bradley
Second row: Jonathan Mathis, Jeremy Miller, Brian Field, Joe Essenburg, Aaron Harrison
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

WORSHIP BANDS

This year was an exciting one for our chapel band. We love to introduce new songs and to see our campus come together and sing to, for, and about Jesus, and we love to see people get enthusiastic and passionate about it.

I think my favorite moment of the year was when we played for Community Outreach chapel early in second semester. I picked out some old-school camp songs to fit the theme for that day. Honestly, I was a bit nervous about singing songs that involved motions and jumping around. College students tend to be a bit more – how shall I put it? – reserved. However, when I got my Trinidad Lighthouse team to come onstage with us to lead in the motions, and we started to play "Scratch a Friend's Back," I could not believe my eyes. Everyone in the auditorium was following along, smiles on their faces and joy in their dancing. I cannot wait to get together and do it all over again someday before the throne of God.

Worship is about pleasing God, giving Him glory, and delighting in the peace and joy that comes from His salvation. Praise God that He has given us hearts that desire to worship Him. It has been an honor to lead this campus in worship and to see people use their gifts to praise God.

Story by Ben Taylor

CAREER PLANNING ASSISTANTS

As senior Julie Rabb can testify, it is possible for our passions, our natural abilities, and our vocational opportunities to be united in pursuit of God's life-long call. Julie (now a Career Development employee) came in to Taylor with an undeclared major, hesitant, at first, of how to handle her ambition for practicing art therapy. Her sophomore year revealed the importance of studying something that was both a natural talent and a source of enjoyment; without knowing how this would play into her future career, she went ahead and decided to major in Studio Art.

Now she finds herself on the doorstep of graduation, about to embark on an art therapy internship in Kenya. Certainly a minor in psychology was able to prepare her somewhat for an interpersonal vocation, and the overseas experience plays a practical hand in opening the door for graduate school. Most of all, however, as this step-by step transition into her future unfolds, Julie's Taylor experience has allowed her discover the practical intersection of God's calling with her own creative dream.

Story by Krista Ely

SPIRITUAL LIFE



1 Senior Jared Bane introduces the team members and the first skit of the Rice Pilaf spring show.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

2 Sophomore Phil Burnier and junior Ashley Mabie act out a scene from a play while only one of them sees the script.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

3 Sophomore Kevin Little and junior Trevor Clifford act out a skit based on a movie about dog walkers.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

4 Sophomore Elizabeth Tatum recites her poem which appears in this year's Parnassus.
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith

RICE PILAF

The shinning jewel in Taylor University's clubs-and-organizations crown was definitely Rice Pilaf. In the groups private meetings we decided to solve world hunger, find an actual road to peace for the Middle East, and raise and restore the Titanic. Sadly we were only able to organize a few improv comedy shows.

We then decided maybe this was the year for an actual world tour, instead of our regular dorm-to-dorm world tour. But, after we scratched together all of our spare change and sold off Ashley's wicked sweet van, Blue Steel, it became apparent that we would have to sell plasma just to get enough cash to drive to Fort Wayne.

So in the end, after NOT salvaging the Titanic, (we were going to rename it the LTC Titanic, thus making it unsinkable) and NOT going on even a town tour we watched a few episodes of "Cheers." It made us feel better, because there, everybody knows your name.

Story by Dustin McLean

PARNASSUS

This year I served as the senior editor of Parnassus, Taylor's literary journal. Our name comes from the mythic mountain just shy of Olympus where the nine muses sit to disperse their creativity to humanity. Our particular Parnassus dedicates itself to collecting submissions of poetry, prose, and artwork in order to collect the best of them into a spiffy looking book that we hand out towards the end of every school year.

A variety of majors comprised this year's staff, including a few art majors that helped immensely with layout. We all worked to advertise, organize and make decisions in order to create as professional a journal as possible. Speaking of professional, the meeting where we, as a staff, chose the rather odd cover design of a bathroom floor with manly feet on one side and a drain on the other was particularly memorable for me. On the whole, the cover is surprisingly artistic and I think shows how we managed to produce both an aesthetically interesting journal as well as one that does a fantastic job of providing a place for the varied artistic voice of Taylor University.

Story by Chris Salzman

RICE PILAF



RICE PILAF

First row: Kevin Little, Cat Kelleher
Second row: Phil Burnier, Ashley Mabie
Third row: Trevor Clifford, Jared Bane, Kasie Abnet, Dustin McLean
Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



PARNASSUS

First row: Natasha Kaminsky, Caellyn Everson
Second row: Thom Satterlee, Sarah Kautzmann, Chris Salzman, Jared Bane
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PARNASSUS



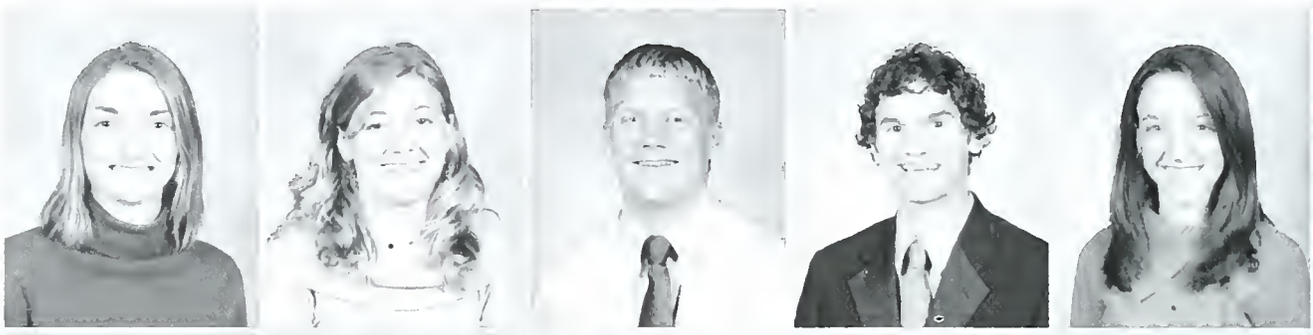
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When we arrived at Taylor, our past stories merged as we were introduced to our new wings, teams, and classes. As the year progressed, new experiences were shared that united us, yet shaped us differently, leading us toward our diverse, unique destinations.

SENIORS

Moving on to new destinations... starting the next chapter

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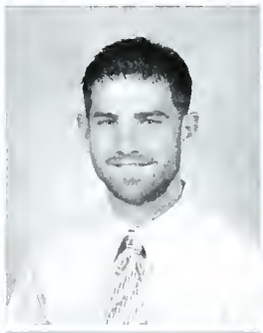






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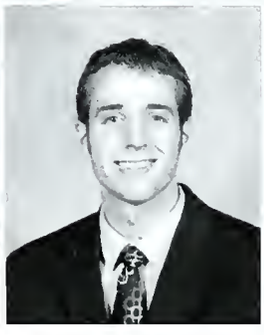






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"The most memorable part about being at Taylor was my study abroad to France. I discovered that God really cares about the things I am passionate about; and once I surrendered it to Him, He became the center of my desire; and the more I talked about Him, the more people wanted to as well!"

-Priscila Podesta



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"My roommate and I were roped into going on a Quick Pick just a few weeks into our first semester here at Taylor. Through a set of unique circumstances, we met up with the two fellows in the room next to us. Through these same circumstances, we saw one of these fellows fall over the tailgate of a moving Dodge Ram. We thought he was dead, but he wasn't. Instead, he became one of my best friends at Taylor, and will continue to be a friend even after graduation."

–Andy Long



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Anna Jackson Hartford City, IN
Mathematics Education
Brandon Jackson Mansfield, OH
Social Studies Education
Bryan Jackson Alma, MI
Exercise Science







Heather James Upland, IN
Christian Educ Ministries
Sarah Janke Wauwatosa, WI
Art
Kristen Johnson Upland, IN
Biology
Lauren Johnson Richmond, IN
Psychology
Bradley Johnston Fairfield, CT
Art







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Jessica Jones Centerburg, OH
Biology
Joseph Jones Glen Ellyn, IL
Biblical Literature
Nathan Jones Indianapolis, IN
Music Education
Michelle Jongsma Dearborn, MI
Accounting







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Erica Justice Auburn, IN
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Jesse Kahler Kent City, MI
Christian Educ Ministries
Natasha Kaminsky Middlebury, IN
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Dereck Kamwesa Westerville, OH
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Cyrus Keck Bremen, IN
Computer Science/Systems
Erik Kielisch Oshkosh, WI
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Sarah Kim Upland, IN
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Bethany Kinney Fishers, IN
Psychology









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Jennifer Kistler — Upland, IN
Biblical Literature
Bradley Klaver — Grand Rapids, MI
Communication Studies
Marci Klayder — Olathe, KS
English Education
Weston Krider — Martinsburg, PA
Economics & Finance

Jason Krueger — Glenview, IL
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Mark Kuhn — Longmeadow, MA
Psychology
Joanna Laforge — Carmel, IN
Computer Science/Systems
Ryan Lane — Ramsey, MN
Visual Arts-New Media
Bradley Larson — Elm Grove, WI
History

Scott Lawton — Winona Lake, IN
Engineering Physics
Roshana Leaman — Waynesboro, PA
Elementary Education
Aaron Lee — Canal Winchester, OH
Art
Mark Lewis — Springfield, IL
International Business & Spanish
Alyssa Lin — Naperville, IL
Psychology

"Living off-campus changed a lot of things my senior year. . . having seven meals a week gives me reason to explore local eateries. The first weekend of senior year my roommate and I went to the Upland Lion's Club pancake breakfast and ate all we could eat while rubbing elbows with some local families. The Other Place in Van Buren is famous for their loaded baked potatoes that are as big as boots. For me, becoming part of the community outside of the Taylor community (and supporting the local mom and pops) was important in my growth here."

- Brad Johnston

Elizabeth Linch — Westerville, OH
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Heather Lindsey — Boone, IA
Political Science
Courtney Little — Topsfield, MA
Social Work
Timothy Lofton — Avon, IN
History
Brittany Long — Lisle, IL
Exercise Science



Andrew Lossau — Charlotte, NC
Management
Karis Lotze — Matthews, NC
Biblical Literature
Wei-Hsin Lu — Upland , IN
International Business
Elizabeth Ludington — Brockport, NY
Sociology
Rachel Malinsky — Columbus, IN
Spanish Education



Erin Maloney — Upland, IN
Art Education
Matthew Mancinelli — Harper Woods, MI
Biblical Literature
Joseph Manier — Escanaba, MI
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Sherif Mansour — Hudson, OH
History
Gregory Matney — Greenwood, IN
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Bryan McCart — Saint Charles, IL
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Carol McClanathan — Freeport, IL
Social Studies Education
Kyle McClure — Wheaton, IL
Christian Educ Ministries
Wendy McConnell — Bloomington, IN
Christian Educ Ministries



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Biology
Erin McKevitt — Wheaton, IL
Elementary Education
Janet McKnight — McCordsville, IN
International Studies





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Carly Meredith Johnstown, PA
English
Andrew Miles Kennesaw, GA
History

Nathan Miley Carmel, IN
Elementary Education
Becca Miller Plymouth, MN
Marketing
Cameron Miller Muncie, IN
Psychology
Eric Miller Middlebury, IN
Psychology/Systems
Kendra Millington Hudson, OH
Psychology

Beth Mitchell Rising Fawn, GA
Biology
Melissa Moeller Arlington Heights, IL
History
Carlos Moran-Facanha Glen Ellyn, IL
Management
Janice Moreland Avon, OH
Biology
Jennifer Moreland Avon, OH
Marketing

Bradley Moser Berne, IN
Computer Engineering
Nathan Moyer Plumsteadville, PA
Computer Science/Systems
Melissa Munn Wheaton, IL
Psychology
John Murphey Ellettsville, IN
Mass Communication/Journalism
Lauren Myers Oil City, PA
English Education

Jessica Nagel West Salem, OH
Christian Educ Ministries
Joshua Nathan Woodbridge, VA
Computer Science/Systems
Shelby Neier Roachdale, IN
Elementary Education
Justin Nevius Fort Wayne, IN
Marketing
Benjamin Nicholson Greencastle, IN
Accounting/Systems

"Being involved in Taylor Disability Outreach has been one of the most challenging and shaping experiences in my time here at Taylor. Through volunteering with TDO, I met and was challenged by over 100 Special Olympians (and their families) who live right in our community. There aren't words to express the joy experienced through serving this special group of people."

-Chris Horst

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Kari Olson Rio, WI
Management
Blake Orlando Crystal Lake, IL
Marketing
Dionne Osman Aurora, CO
Psychology
Anthony Ottaviano Waxhaw, NC
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Joseph Ozinga Willowick, OH
Computer Science/Systems
Sara Pallansch Fox River Grove, IL
Sociology
Mateo Palos Louisville, KY
English
Ann Parker Mechanicsburg, PA
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Nathan Pelz Spencerville, IN
Art Education
Emily Pensinger Chambersburg, PA
Social Studies Education
Michelle Pieters Delavan, WI
Social Work
Seth Pietrini Arlington Heights, IL
International Business



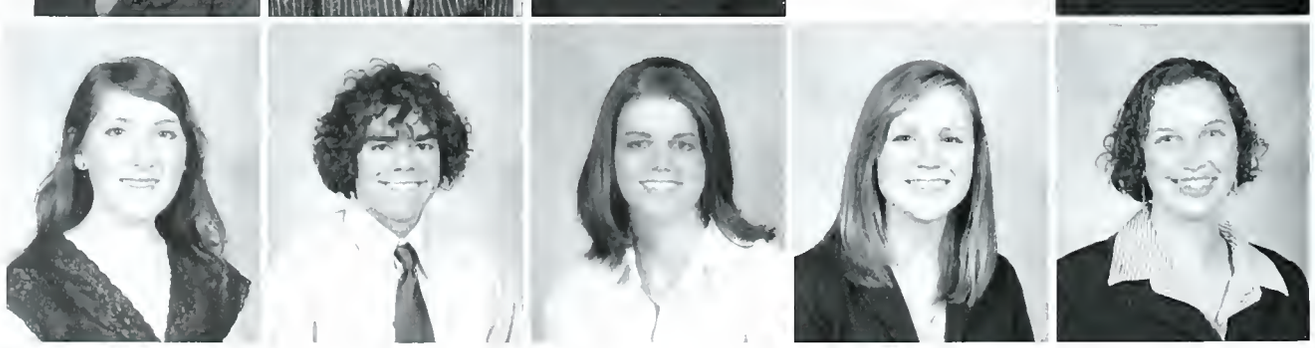
"Getting to know professors in and out of class has helped shape my Taylor experience. My CE professors have taken interest me in as a person, not just as a student, and their encouragement has contributed to the direction I'm headed today. I feel prepared to follow God's call to ministry because of the affirmation I've received from those professors who have ministered to me over the past four years."

-Carrie Austin

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Kerry Porter Muskegon, MI
Communication Studies
Amy Preston Zionsville, IN
Psychology
Julie Rabb Naperville, IL
Art
Ashley Ramsland Charlotte, NC
Political Science



Catherine Randall Livonia, MI
Music
Jason Redelman Wheaton, IL
Psychology
Anna Reeve Mansfield, OH
Elementary Education
Kathleen Reiter Bethesda, MD
Elementary Education
Amanda Reusser Bluffton, IN
Communication Arts Education





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Exercise Science
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Nathan Ricke Huntington, IN
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Music
Matthew Rifka Waterford, VA
Political Science



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Eric Rivera Huntingdon Valley, PA
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Thomas Roberts Daleville, IN
Accounting/Systems
Adam Rockwell Portland, IN
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Meredith Roeber Indianapolis, IN
Elementary Education



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Benjamin Rosado Chicago, IL
Management
Matthieu Rush Elberon, NJ
Mass Communication/Journalism
Alicia Russell Beaverton, MI
Health & PE
Emmanuela Rusu Wheaton, IL
International Business



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English
Karin Sandstrom Glen Ellyn, IL
Psychology
Sarah Sarracino Monroeville, NJ
Elementary Education
Kate Savoie Okemos, MI
Biology
Luke Sawatsky Champlin, MN
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Rachel Schlotterbeck Indianapolis, IN
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Sara Schupra Canton, MI
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Laura Scott Mentor, OH
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Philip Soen Itasca, IL
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Elementary Education
Megan Speicher Twin Falls, ID
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Jessica St Clair South Bend, IN
English Education
Brittany Stebel Urbana, IL
International Business
Kristen Stevens Dallas, TX
Christian Education
Lance Stockton Plainfield, IN
Christian Educ Ministries







"Taylor has not taught me how to be perfect, but how to turn to others when I need help. I did not learn during my time here how to hold a liter of alcohol, but rather how to speak up in class, to work with my colleagues, and to integrate my faith into every aspect of my learning and life. I was not taught here that chapel is mandatory and spirituality superficial, but I have been guided further down the trail to being a man of God, given opportunity to learn, share, follow, and lead. My education at Taylor has been different, even unique, when compared to others. . . my lessons have been different, my professors a world apart. As I go out into the world now, I feel I couldn't be more prepared."

–Eric Moore







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Lindsay Stonecipher Powell, OH
Philosophy
Audra Stratton Batavia, IL
Art Education
Frank Strehl Wheaton, IL
Computer Science/Systems
Nathanael Suttor Bremen, IN
Accounting/Systems







Amy Swaagman Burnett, WI
Christian Educ Ministries
Philip Taber Van Meter, IA
Biology
Mekael Teshome Lewis Center, OH
Political Science & International Studie
Jonathan Teune Wheaton, IL
History & Political Science
Mark Thomason Barrington, IL
Marketing/Systems







Kati Tinsley Van Buren, IN
Social Work
Sarah Todd Champaign, IL
Music
Karen Torppey Wheaton, IL
Biblical Studies
Frank Tozser Omaha, NE
Environmental Biology
Lori Twycross Newburgh, IN
Communication Studies







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Lance Vanderberg Muskegon, MI
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Ashley Vanderschaaf Lake Mary, FL
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Laura VanRyn Caledonia, MI
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Katherine Wofford Wildwood, MO
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Kristi Yoder Goshen, IN
Communication Studies
Mitchell Young Brownsburg, IN
Psychology
Justin Zimmerman Berne, IN
Biology







"I still vividly remember moving into my dorm at the start of my freshman year, almost four years ago, wondering what might possibly be in store for me. Looking back, I find myself thankful that God brought me here to Taylor University, setting a foundation for the rest of my life. What a blessing it has been to be here. I graduate still wondering what life holds for me. I anticipate I'll look back four years from now and be able to see just how my Taylor experience shaped my life, a glimpse of how God decided to use this season in life to mold me."

–Ann Ebert

DESTINATION: GRADUATION



Student Development faculty Cathy Weatherspoon, Skip Trudeau, Mary Rayburn and Bob Neideck stand in line to greet the graduates as they walk through the path lined with faculty from all departments. Taylor's tradition is to have faculty greet students for the last time in their college career as they march toward their destination: graduation.

Little did the seniors know as the year began that their lives would be drastically changed the last week in April. Senior Melissa Munn was rushed to the hospital with blood clots in her lungs on Monday, April 24. (After surgery, Munn was later released and able to walk at graduation.) Then Wednesday. April 26, around 8 p.m. a van load of dining commons employees and students were struck by a semi-truck, and three seniors were killed. Brad Larson, Betsy Smith, Laura VanRyn and junior Laurel Erb died at the scene, and freshman Whitney Cerak was airlifted to Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. Also killed at the scene was Monica Felver, an employee of Creative Dining. Employees Vickie Rhodes, Michelle Miller, and Connie Magers were also rushed to the hospital.

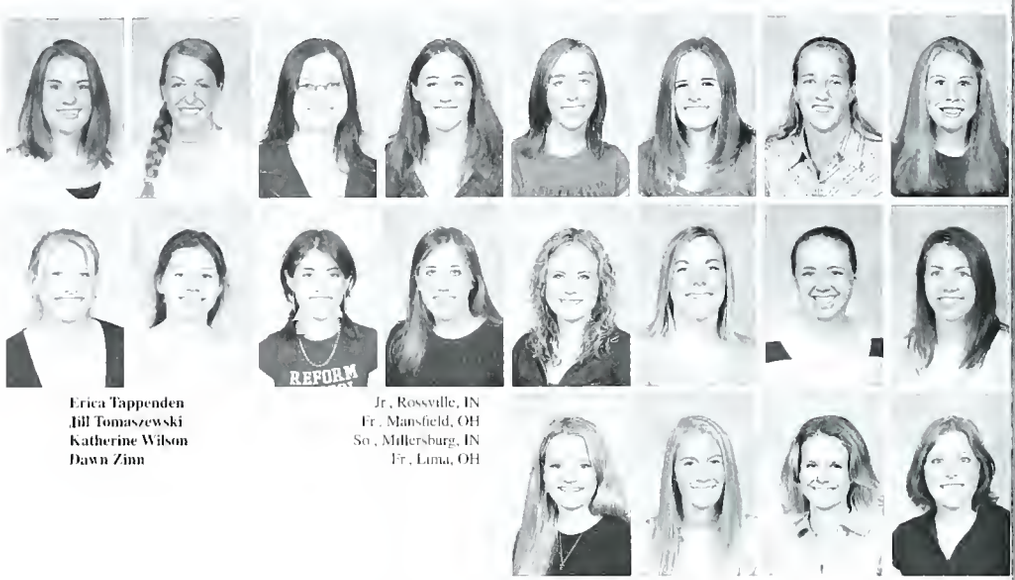
Additional emotional turmoil resulted when the coroner discovered on May 31 that rescuers had misidentified one of the deceased, and the surviving student was not who they thought she was. Those who had mourned Cerak's death celebrated her life while those who had stood by the bedside of who they thought was VanRyn's were devastated by the news.

At a time when seniors were beginning to emotionally separate themselves to move toward graduation and a new destination in life, they were suddenly entwined in emotion and grief the night of April 26, and then again at VanRyn's memorial service on June 4.

This turn of events has led many to re-evaluate their lives and where they will choose to go. At graduation, references were made to Sammy Morris and the impact his death had on so many. At a press conference on June 2, President Habecker said, "It will not surprise any of us associated with Taylor University that the global impact of the graduates of 2006 may be among the most significant of any graduating class ever in the history the University . . . because they have lived through this reality, and we have these incredibly competent Christ followers . . . who are fully academically prepared, but now they have this additional focus. They have lived that reality of life and death, and that creates a sense of focus and energy and direction that perhaps an event like this otherwise would not create."

1st BERGWALL

Hannah Baur	Fr., Glennallen, AK
Amanda Deturk	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Hillary Durie	So., Elkhart, IN
Lauren Glass	Fr., Ballwin, MO
Danielle Gore	Fr., Grand Rapids, MI
Ashlegh Greenwell	Fr., Littleton, CO
Amanda Jackson	Jr., Cutler, IN
Alison Jerome	Fr., Newtown, PA
Kelly King	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Karen Kostaroff	So., Dearborn, MI
Angelina Lindahl	Fr., Saint Joseph, MO
Karmen Low	Fr., Greenwood, IN
Emily Myre	Fr., DeKalb, IL
Beth Peiffer	So., Coldwater, MI
Lindsey Stone	Fr., Lafayette, IN
Krista Symington	Fr., Bloomington, MN
Erica Tappenden	Jr., Rossville, IN
Jill Tomaszewski	Fr., Mansfield, OH
Katherine Wilson	So., Millersburg, IN
Dawn Zinn	Fr., Lima, OH



The girls of First Berg had a unique opportunity this year to be the first girls to ever live on BHONE. We had quite a few freshmen on the floor, which added to the fun change. We had so much fun together as a floor just hanging out in each others' rooms, playing games, eating sundaes (way too late at night), and playing on intramural teams together.

One memory that we will never forget was our fall floor retreat. We piled into our cars, and we headed to the famous Matthews covered bridge festival. After spending time looking through the quality goods for sale and eating fair food, we headed back to the Stuart Room for the night. Here, in the freezing room below the chapel, we were able to bond as we played games, had an awesome time of worship and prayer, and read a bed time story.

The most exciting part of our story took place at 2:00 am when our guy friends from Sigma Beta brought us donuts in an effort to lure us outside to pelt us with water balloons. Through laughter and games we bonded as friends, and through the worship and fellowship we bonded as sisters in Christ. Our story reflected more than just a fun night: it represented our new year together as the first girls to ever take over First Berg.

Story by Kathryn Kendall



Taking time to enjoy a brisk fall day, the girls of 1st Bergwall smile after an active game of football. Playing sports together outside was one of the many ways that the first girls ever to live on 1st Bergwall started their own traditions.

2nd BERGWALL



Austin Beer	SR., Craigville, IN
Kyle Brown	So., Fort Wayne, IN
Benjamin Burnett	So., Bolivar, MO
Thomas Cline	Jr., Danville, IN
Brandon Downs	So., Fairmount, IN
Patrick Gray	So., Lafayette, IN
Mark Heydlauff	So., Sturgis, MI
Nathan Kanuchok	So., Collinsville, IL
Jameson Ohms	So., Fremont, OH
Nathaniel Smith	So., Wooster, OH
Jared Sutter	So., Kouts, IN
Andrew Trozan	So., Fort Collins, CO
Ryan Veldhuizen	So., Cedar Rapids, IA
Zachary Wingerter	So., Zionsville, IN

Passed down for generations (at least since 1989) by the men of Sigma Beta is the annual Sigma Beta Fest. Each year we strive to achieve greatness in this lofty tradition. But this year, it we went above and beyond; we achieved excellence and soared passed it.

Many floors have nice open houses, but only we were able to claim Sigma Beta Fest. We spared no expense as we purchased only the best recycled cardboard and borrowed anything and everything from the DC. Then construction began. We made and christened a pirate ship, and landscaped a deserted island in our lounge. Complete with a flowing waterfall, buried gold coins, and every pirate's favorite food (Doritos,) we created our own pirate experience. However, what would a pirate ship be without violin-playing pirates? It would not have been a true pirate ship; so, we had violin-playing pirates in the form of Paul Kuzma (Smooth) and Andy Trozan (Tarzan).

We even commissioned the temporary removal of Patrick Gray's leg in order to have our own peg-legged pirate (it was restored later with minor complications and a large payout from Taylor student health insurance). With great experiences like a pirate ship Sigma Beta Fest and a brood of nice-guy pirates, it is no wonder that Taylor loop-walkers share in the campus-wide description of Sigma Beta: "The Best Kept Treasure of Bergwall Hall."

Story by Ryan Veldhuizen



After a night of fun and games at their pirate open house, the men of 2nd Bergwall display their enthusiasm and camaraderie. The night was filled with everything from Doritos to violins, and created memories that would long be remembered with laughter and smiles.

3rd BERGWALL

Keri Armpriester	Fr., Boca Raton, FL
Sharde Armstrong	So., Mishawaka, IN
Lindsey Arnold	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Nadeah Bikawi	Fr., Cleveland, OH
Rachael Caldwell	So., Norwich, OH
Alicia Chew	Jr., Upland, IN
Anna Daniels	Fr., South Haven, MI
Jena Frey	So., Waynesboro, PA
Alejandra Gil	Fr., Warsaw, IN
Irene Glass	So., San Jose, CA
Lisa Gudeman	Jr., Elgin, IL
Abbey Kadera	Fr., Lake Villa, IL
Kristine Kallina	Fr., Baltimore, MD
Gabrielle Kusner	Fr., Aurora, OH
Christine Lee	So., Seoul, Korea,
Mallory McClain	Jr., Upper Sandusky, OH
Annika Moores	Fr., Delafield, WI
Ruth Moorman	Fr., South Bend, IN
Emily Nofziger	So., Defiance, OH
Kristen Osborne	So., Tipp City, OH
Shawna Paul	Fr., Arlington Heights, IL
Angela Poag	Fr., Waynesburg, PA
Jennell Richardson	Fr., Clinton, WI
Emily Smith	So., Caledonia, MI
Holly Taylor	So., Fort Wayne, IN
April Vonbergen	Fr., Chicago, IL
Tracie Vriezema	So., Saint Joseph, MI
Christine Wong	Jr., Buffalo Grove, IL
Natalie Wright	So., Dayton, OH



After another victory, the intramural football team, "Mean Girls," are all smiles. The girls worked well together on the field, which was a direct result of their close bonds that they made throughout the year on their floor.



Most people think that the state of Indiana is boring, but I happen to disagree. There are things you can do on campus that will keep you entertained for a few hours but there is an endless amount of things to do off campus. I know, late night trips to Wally World or being stalked by animals at the Gas City petting zoo is fun, but I know a great way to cure boredom if the opportunity knocks. Pick-a-dates. Being a senior and living on 3rd Berg my whole college experience, I can say with full assurance that most pick-a-dates are silly and very awkward except for one that I attended this year.

This pick-a-date was not the typical "lets go on a scavenger hunt and eat dinner at Fazoli's" event. It was a Gas City Race Tracks pick-a-date. Some of the girls on my floor dressed special for the occasion, saw cars flip midair, and kept one another cheerful when the cold discouraged us from hollering for our favorite car.

What made this event so memorable was that it was the most fun the remaining upperclassmen had on a pick-a-date since freshman year. In the same light, the freshman had a wonderful time experiencing their first pick-a-date. This event brought a completely new level of amusement to all different ages. Who knew that the Gas City Race tracks could unify a floor?

Story by Yumi Kim

4th BERGWALL



Leeann Ashby	So., Indianapolis, IN
Emily Bowerman	Fr., Bentleyville, OH
Angela Brown	Fr., South Bend, IN
Christy Carlson	So., Saline, MI
Kelsey Cunningham	Jr., West Chicago, IL
Suzanne Dorsey	Fr., Dayton, OH
Heidi Eisenhut	Fr., Huntingburg, IN
Erin Haymond	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Gretchen Hoffman	Fr., West Chicago, IL
Christen Holmes	Fr., Copley, OH
Shauncee Johnson	Fr., Fairmount, IN
Esther Kanuchok	Fr., Collinsville, IL
Leela Kaul	Jr., Barnesville, OH
Kathryn Kendall	Jr., Evansville, IN
Kristen Ludwig	So., Naperville, IL
Meaghan McAlister	Fr., Wayne, IL
Jennifer Miller	Jr., Elmhurst, IL
Sara Peterson	So., Cambridge, MN
Allison Reed	Fr., Saint Louis, MO
Brianna Rice	Fr., Upland, IN
Lisa Richards	Fr., Coopersburg, PA
Kristin Rietz	Fr., Plainfield, IN
Rebecca Roembke	So., Indianapolis, IN
Alicia Rundquist	Jr., Havre, MT
Sarah Wardle	So., Martinsville, VA
Cathleen Warriner	So., Sheboygan, WI
Anna Weissman	Fr., Glenview, IL
Erica Yoder	So., Fort Wayne, IN
Ashlee Zeigler	Fr., Pendleton, IN

Life on Fourth Berg: from marshmallow-shooting projectiles, to courtesy vomit-bags, to laser-tag, Fourth Berg was about the business of having fun. Kicking off the year with an Airband debut, we got in touch with our inner-gangster as we dance with the SammyII boys to "Switch" and "1-2 Step." The winter retreat in Michigan soon followed, where we did some incredible sledding. Another favorite event was the floor dinners that occurred weekly, as three tables were jammed together and 4th Berg girls invaded the D.C. near the Mexican Hut.

We had many fun events, but our favorite happened in December, when we transformed the floor into "Christmas in Hawaii" for our open house. We had a great time seeing our friends, but the real merriment began when all the boys were gone. We then we transformed the hallway into a huge slipping slide. Clad in shorts, t-shirts and goggles,we ran, dove, got splashed by a bucket of water as we slid on a kickboard the length of the hallway.

Our fun times clearly showed us how a group of girls of every age, from different majors and with different interests can come together and have a great year. It is no surprise that we had so much fun–after all Fourth Berg is kind of a big deal.

Story by Gretchen Hoffman

Bundled up for sledding, the ladies of 4th Bergwall take a break to capture the fun times on film. The winter retreat in Michigan was a great time for fun and floor-bonding. Row1: Erin Haymond, Laura McGrath, Christy Carlson Row2: Emily Bowerman, Courtney Wanemacher, Rachel Aigner, Sarah Wardle, Christine Foster, and Jen Miller.



CELLAR ENGLISH

Lane Anderson	So., Saint Louis, MO
Laura Bowen	Jr., Marion, IN
Allie Burbrink	Jr., Edinburgh, IN
Kathryn Denny	Fr., Floyds Knobs, IN
Rachel Dodge	Fr., Roanoke, IN
Sydney Fisher	So., Minneapolis, MN
Tabitha Grubb	Fr., Upland, IN
Michelle Hewitt	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Sarah Hirsch	Fr., Fairfield, CT
Miranda Johnson	Jr., New Castle, IN
Catherine Kelleher	Jr., Saint Charles, IL
Sarah Leonard	Jr., Grosse Ile, MI
Christianna Luy	Jr., Owatonna, MN
Meghann Lyzenga	So., Zeeland, MI
McKenzie Moore	Fr., Monticello, IN
Elizabeth Owsley	Fr., Madison, WI
Heather Perkins	Fr., Georgetown, IN
Emily Reel	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Kerrie Schene	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Lauren Shea	Jr., Newton, NJ
Meghan Tapp	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Brittany Tsulell	So., Fort Wayne, IN
Casey Wittekind	So., Mason, OH



Contrary to popular belief, Cellar English is a happening place. A light in the darkness of the depths of English Hall, Cellar is a place of dedicated study, spontaneous laughter, beautiful praise, worship and fun. We might have been rejected by every brother floor on campus, but we didn't take it personally.

This year Cellar said goodbye to some old favorites and welcomed many new faces—freshmen, transfers and upperclassmen alike. We've laughed and cried together, struggled and persevered together. Overall it was a year of growing for each of us, coupled with new friendships along the way. We are sisters in Christ and we Cellar sisters stick together.

Highlights of this year included the annual pumpkin picking and party at the Keller's, scaring trick-or-treaters with L.Shea's crazy singing cat, random movies in the hallway, an amazing floor retreat where we served the victims of Katrina through the Red Cross and local churches, two ring downs, Kat's interesting dinner stories, a terrific ice cream open house in the winter complete with Christianna's famous homemade waffle cones, a posh pick-a-date to the Imax and a chocolate café on the Circle in Indy for Christmas, as well as a Cellar girl's night out to the Melting Pot in Indy. It was truly an unforgettable year.
Story by Lauren Shea



A night out to Indianapolis was a fun change of pace for the girls of English Cellar. The special fondu meal at The Melting Pot was complete with the overall favorite: the chocolate dessert fondu.

1st NORTH ENGLISH



Daphne Able	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Blake Bachman	Fr., Saint Louis, MO
Esther Barnes	So., Gainesville, GA
Alysa Barnhart	Fr., Warsaw, IN
Julia Brantley	Jr., Pensacola, FL
Samantha Briggs	Jr., Northbrook, IL
Lydia Crenshaw	So., Cumberland, ME
Abigail Duncan	Jr., New Albany, IN
Asbley Getty	Fr., Idaho Falls, ID
Brook Girgis	Fr., Oak Brook, IL
Alisse Goldsmith	So., Plainfield, IL
Daci Hermann	Jr., DeLand, IL
Erin Hinnen	So., Burlington, IA
Teal Justice	So., Indianapolis, IN
Ellen Koch	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Abby Martin	So., Mansfield, OH
Caroline Poland	So., Rochester, MN
Rebecca Terhune	Fr., Saint Joseph, MI
Sarah Winfree	Fr., Oberlin, OH

First North English—we love it because we don't have to go up stairs, we are close to the laundry room, and we all get to listen in on the DTR's that take place outside our windows.

These perks are not what made First North extra special this year, though—it was the girls. Every individual on the wing brought a unique flavor to the wing. Growing and strengthening relationships seemed to be the unspoken theme of our wing as we shared our hearts and allowed God to use us. Whether we were having a campfire at the Trudeau's, playing the family game, playing sardines, sharing meals, crying and mourning together, or sharing our testimonies until three in the morning, it was a special time.

I think almost everyone's favorite memory was Alysa's bridal shower. We competed by making toilet paper wedding dresses and ate chocolate fondu. Even more, we were together laughing and loving. Memories of God's blessing allowed us to praise Him in the midst of the huge storm that followed. We mourned the loss of our wing-mate, Laurel, who left an empty spot that could not be filled. She brought beauty to us: she filled the wing with her wood shavings, stories she told while laughing at herself, sunsets and sunrises, the winning open house decorations, a true model of a servant, and all the love she had.

We realized throughout the year that First North English is more than a wing; it is a precious place that God has blessed.

Story by Allison Barlow



Gathering close for a photo, the girls of 1st North English show their crazy sides. One of the highlights of the year included a fun weekend retreat to wingmate, Brooke's, house, complete with homemade food, fellowship, and bonding time.

1st SOUTH ENGLISH

Rachel Foster	Fr., Alpena, MI
Megan Godfrey	So., Barrington, IL
Emily Hart	Jr., Millersburg, OH
Emily Henderson	So., Crestwood, KY
Susanna Hinkle	Jr., Mattawan, MI
Stephanie Isaacson	Jr., Dalton, OH
Janell Keller	Jr., La Grange, IL
Brittany Learn	Fr., Uniontown, OH
Angela Mathis	Fr., Naperville, IL
Sara Merillat	So., Wauseon, OH
Sarah Norton	So., Harvard, IL
Britton Pollard	Fr., Alpena, MI
Colleen Ramsay	Jr., Wooster, OH
Mary Rousopoulos	So., Indianapolis, IN
Rachel Sawyer	Fr., Lexington, KY
Kelly Schumaker	Jr., Bowling Green, KY
Robin Snyder	So., Morristown, TN
Amelia Wales	Jr., Otsego, MI
Rosanna Walker	Fr., Baroda, MI





After a fun Easter egg hunt, the girls of 1st South show off their winnings. Creative events like this Easter-themed one was what these girls were known for this year

Each year, all the denizens of First South English file into Suite 101 in preparation for the most anticipated wing event of the year: Miss First South. Each person who signs up has to brainstorm her own secret theme and divulge it on the night of the pageant. This year, the four contestants included Miss Spice, Miss Warrior Princess, Miss Bedside Baptist, and Miss Nerd. Each paraded onto the red carpet donning her every daywear, bathwear, and eveningwear. Especially popular were Miss Spice's photo-shoot winks and Spice-Girl accent. Miss Bedside Baptist's guitar ballad and penguin sleep wear and Miss Warrior Princess's homemade shield and "warrior call" tutorial generated plenty of laughs as well. The audience cheered when Miss Nerd, clad with prescription goggles and a plaid skirt, sang her original production of "The Quadratic Formula." As is wing tradition, the former Miss First South was present to pass on her Burger King crown and a new Miss First South sash.

The viewers' votes were cast and tallied and the audience held their breath as the winner was announced. Steph Isaacson, playing Miss Nerd, emerged from the hallway as the 2006 Miss First South English! She graced the red carpet as "One in a Million" from the Miss Congeniality soundtrack blasted in the background. It was truly a history-making moment.

As the members of the audience returned to their normal activities, they no doubt began anticipating the next Miss First South. PA, Katie Rousopoulos, said, "I enjoy Miss First South because it allows us to see a different side of the girls; their creativity comes out and it brings a lot of laughter!"

Story by Susie Hinkle

2nd NORTH ENGLISH



Jaime Allen	Fr., Muskegon, MI
Sarah Amodio	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Kwunjit Batzinger	Fr., South Bend, IN
Natalie Beange	So., Markham ON L6C1A6,
April Bridgham	Jr., Crawfordsville, IN
Laura Brocker	Fr., Canfield, OH
Kari Brubaker	Jr., Warren, IN
Anna Clough	Jr., Fort Wayne, IN
Rebekah Deal	So., Midland, MI
Kathryn Erickson	Jr., Hartford City, IN
Vanessa Fereshetian	So., Turner, ME
Alexandra Fillmore	Jr., Hollis, ME
Julie Fishbein	Jr., Wildwood, MO
Lani Hartshorn	Fr., York, PA
Lauren Hartshorn	So., York, PA
Brooke Jantzen	So., Crystal Lake, IL
Megumi Johnston	Fr., Pemberville, OH
Jillian Marsh	Fr., Elkhart, IN
Katie Ostermeier	Jr., Milford, OH
Ashley Pikel	Fr., Rochester, MN
Rachel Rigsbee	Jr., Frisco, TX
Laura Rizzo	Jr., Chippewa Falls, WI
Christine Turner	Fr., Bismarck, ND

Throughout the year, we have cried and held each other as we walked through trials and laughed as we celebrated and learned to love life in a new way. From waking up at 1a.m. and going to Steak n' Shake in order to welcome the new freshmen, to being fed tons of food from the Habecker's kitchen fridge as we said a final goodbye, we became a family. Every girl made Second North English a special place to live as they shined God's love and showed in so many ways the uniqueness of the Master's plan.

I will never forget Christine's beautiful eyes and love for Christ, Jaime's constant hugs and sweet smile, Sarah's enthusiasm, the matchless servanthood of Faith, Natalie's sheik and classy ways, Jessica's honesty, April's cheerfulness, Laura Brocker's gentle spirit, and Kari's listening ear – not to mention her laugh. Anna's authentic personality, Bekah's sincerity, Kat's way of accepting anyone and everyone, zany Vanessa, and the way that Alex can always make me smile. Julie's loving heart that is beyond compare, Lani's unabashed affection for others, Lauren's wit, Brooke's helpfulness, Megumi's encouragement, Jillian's humble heart, Katie Nelson's constant giving, Ashley's thankfulness, Rachel's genuine spirit, Laura Rizzo's zest for life, Heidi's incomparable love for people, and Christie's continuous joy.

As I sit in an empty dorm looking back on the year and thinking about leaving English Hall for the last time, I realize that this is the way I will always remember each of these ladies. Every one of them has taught me so much and words cannot begin to describe how proud I am to be able to have called Second North my home and each of these amazing women my family.

Story by Katie Ostermeier



Gathering into the suite, girls from Second North English take a break from their busy schedules for a photo opportunity. This was a very comfortable setting for a group shot, since the suites were the common meeting place for working on homework, watching movies, and late night chats.

2nd CENTER ENGLISH

Ashely Bourque	So , Highland Village, TX
Brittany Cook	So , Rapid City, SD
Sarah Dreyer	So , Lexington, MA
Sarah Froggatt	Fr., Saint Joseph, MI
Katherine Gates	So., Louisville, KY
Jenna Hanchey	Jr , Saint Joseph, MI
Candice Harris	So., Lyndhurst, OH
Amanda Harsy	Jr , Chesterton, IN
Amy Hickey	Fr , Saint Charles, MO
Deborah Kallina	Jr., Towson, MD
Allie Ladd	Fr., Guthrie, OK
Leslie Leak	Jr , Williamsport, IN
Jana Meulink	So , Westmont, IL
Ashley Orlando	So , Crystal Lake, IL
Kaye Patton	So., Champaign, IL
Gretchen Richards	Fr , Upland, IN
Jacquelyn Sanchez	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Bethany Saxe	Fr., Elgin, IL
Jaclyn Short	Fr , Fort Collins, CO
Sarah Stehbe	So., Rochester, MI
Christine Thompson	So., Kokomo, IN
Stephanie Visser	So , Villa Park, IL
Lauren Znachko	Fr., Indianapolis, IN



In November, the incredible women of Second Center English went on a nature hike by Taylor Lake. Debo uprooted trees with her Yukon while Kate picked berries off of bushes and said, "Mmm. Treats." Ashley and Lauren Z. played Trading Spaces while Sarah S. looked on. Amanda got distracted by the possibility of fishing for trout. Leslie handed her a fishing pole she purchased in Oxford. Amy pretended to become deaf as Cassie and Candice had an abbreviated party. Sarah F. painted a vivid portrait of Jess while Bethany played joyfully in the mud. Jen was inspired by the natural surroundings and performed a traditional Hawaiian hula dance, while Heather, Stephanie, and Jackie Sanchez envied her innate folk dancing abilities. Allie skillfully steered her black truck while she went off-roading through the thick green foliage, and Gretchen blissfully celebrated the presence of the foliage, because green is her favorite color. Brittany performed a soulful rain dance, and Kaye gave a hand massage to a grateful Lauren J. Jaime guided Sarah D. and Ashley through the forest, informing them of the Greek words for different plants, but Jana inadvertently tripped on a tree root as she ran through the forest singing Lifehouse songs. Chrissie threw a javelin at a squirrel, but she missed and hit one of the tires of Jenna's car.

It was a day we will never forget, as we were able to all enjoy our unique interests, while still spending quality time together as a wing. Our D.A. and P.A. make a great team; after all, the nature hike WAS their idea.

Story by Candice Harris



Taking advantage of the a beautiful fall day, the girls on 2nd Center English spend time outside. Outdoor activities were some of their favorite types this year.

2nd SOUTH ENGLISH



Alyssa Allen	So., Crystal Lake, IL
Heather Beleski	So., Piscataway, NJ
Emily Cline	Fr., Danville, IN
Kayla Cochran	Fr., Franklin, IN
Alicia Cook	Fr., West Chester, OH
Hayley Floren	Fr., Trafalgar, IN
Elizabeth Franz	Jr., Hamilton, OH
Elizabeth Fuqua	Fr., Clarkston, MI
Kristina Garvelink	Fr., Holland, MI
Amye Harvey	So., Lexington, KY
Cassondra Hedges	Jr., Terre Haute, IN
Bethany Jones	So., Fairmount, IN
Nicole Novak	Jr., Zeeland, MI
Caitlin Peters	So., Angola, IN
Amy Reid	Jr., Grosse Pointe Park, MI
Leah Robertson	Jr., Fairmount, IN
Jasmin Snyder	So., Indianapolis, IN
Veronika Vlasov	Fr., Carol Stream, IL
Ashley Whited	So., Spencerville, OH
Kate Yoder	Jr., Lederach, PA

Quirky is maybe the only word that sums up the uniqueness of Second South English. From crazy Nerf wars to backrub circles, we found any excuse to congregate and make some noise.

One of the best parts about our wing is that we love to start and carry on traditions. This year, we took a weekend for our annual wing retreat to Caitlin's lake house in Angola and had an incredible time boating, swimming, eating and sitting around the bonfire. We also had the second annual "Falloween" open house, and it was smashing. From the Breakfast Club to vampires, Taylor kids came out in droves for our party.

One tradition that we are not so proud of includes our losing record in intramural football. Sports may not be our thing, but we know how to have fun while trying—our specialty is turning the game into mud wrestling! It was freezing and a beast to clean up the bathroom afterwards, but it was totally worth it. They don't call us Diiiirrrty South for nothin'!

Second South is definitely the place to be. Whether we are hanging out downing chips and salsa in our trashed suites or praying together at "family time," South girls just like to be together. Backrubs, movie nights, Starbucks, ice-skating, game night, and the occasional pick-a-date are always options too. What more could you ask for?

Story by Nicole Novak



All bundled up, the girls of 2nd South English enjoy bonding with the wing on the ice. The wing's trip to Ft. Wayne to go iceskating was a great way to unify the group during J-term.

3rd NORTH ENGLISH

Tala Albajj	So., Westerville, OH
Kwunjai Batzinger	Jr., South Bend, IN
Heidi Beachy	Fr., Paoli, IN
Brittany Beleastro	Jr., Dayton, OH
Audrey English	Fr., Upland, IN
Cj Ewing	Fr., Noblesville, IN
Kinsey Fennig	Jr., Bryant, IN
Shauna Gronewold	Jr., Ramsey, MN
Mary Lara Gnariglia	Fr., Saint Louis, MO
Caitlin Herron	Fr., Marysville, OH
Jessica Hicks	So., Warren, MI
Amy Horner	Jr., Marion, IN
Amanda Marshall	Fr., Canfield, OH
Stephanie McDonald	So., Kokomo, IN
Keeley Mills	So., Belmont, MI
Angela Moore	So., Zion, IL
Ashley Paul	Fr., Canton, MI
Christine Supcisak	Fr., Lawrenceburg, IN
Rachel Suttor	So., Bremen, IN
Elizabeth Tatum	So., Shippensburg, PA
Rhonda Wong	So., Koror 96940,
Tracy Yoder	Jr., Warsaw, IN



On March 3, we had our second annual Coffee House. This was by far one of the highlights of the year for Third North English. We left Taylor on a Friday night, anxiously awaiting the upcoming performances. After a short twenty minutes, we arrived at Amy Horner's house in Marion to start the entertaining evening. The night started off with a humorous skit and ended with a reenactment of Thriller from Airband 2005. A great variety filled the middle acts, from the infamous Romeo and Juliet balcony scene, to the reading of an original dramatic story, and a new workout routine.

There was also much musical talent in the room. The Disney songs from Aladdin and The Little Mermaid seemed to be very popular with singing and even dancing! The violin was played beautifully to Canon in D. Following this piece, two girls did a duet on the recorder to Hot Cross Buns which left everyone crying from laughter after the duet attempted several times to play three notes. The night was topped off with delicious homemade cookies and chips and dip. With the great success two years in a row, the Coffee House is sure to be a Third North tradition that not only provides great entertainment, but brings our wing even closer together.

Story by Amanda Marshall



Enjoying their wing-outing to Payne's Coffee and Custard, the girls pause for a quick picture. After some dessert and coffee, the girls ended their night out with a movie.

3rd CENTER ENGLISH



Caitlin Akard	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Jenna Albro	So., Spencerville, IN
Abigail Baldwin	Jr., Millbury, OH
Amy Brown	So., McFarland, WI
Brittany Crow	Jr., Bethesda, MD
Katherine Davis	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Rebekah Dehock	Fr., Big Rapids, MI
Stacey Foster	Jr., Sedlia, CO
Rebecca Hegelein	So., Rochester, MI
Sarah Jones	Fr., Manchester, MO
Rachel King	So., Hulmeville, PA
Mary Koon	Jr., Bexley, OH
Amanda Laur	Fr., Kent City, MI
Laci Liggett	Jr., Portland, IN
Leah Madeja	So., Wonder Lake, IL
Brittany Matthews	Fr., Trumbull, CT
Sarah Neel	Fr., Upland, IN
Melissa Olsen	Fr., Martin, MI

I was afraid of what being a senior on the wing might mean–having to always have the right words, having to always be a good influence–in other words–to never mess up. As I look back on our wing's fall retreat, that took place second weekend of school, I remember the bonfire flickering in each other's faces. It bonded us through secrets and pain. I tried to think of consoling words, words to somehow say, "I know how everything seems lost right now, but you grow from it all, I promise!" But there were no words to tell them. I knew they must learn for themselves.

Through this year, I have learned from these amazing girls, from the maturity they either brought in or gained while here. I have seen them grow and I have seen the sophomores, juniors, and yes, even us seniors grow from shared experiences from mourning, rejoicing, laughing at dinners, giggling and reflecting in chapel, to even fighting for wins on the intramural field. These girls have meant so much to me and I know I will miss them for years to come. I only hope that while the words may not have come, they will remember these days for all that they were worth. Thank you, 3CE, for another fantabulous year.

Story by Hannah DeRegibus



Squeezing together, the 3CE wing joins together catch a picture of the entire wing. "The wing was incredible this year. I am so glad that I was able to be a part of it all," said sophomore Amy Brown.

3rd SOUTH ENGLISH

Constance Asher	So., Barrington, IL
Katherine Baker	Jr., Hamilton, OH
Leslie Brockelsby	Fr., Edinburg, IL
Rebecca Carhart	Fr., Bloomfield, NE
Lindsey Cokkinias	So., Palatine, IL
Brittany Davis	Jr., Hartford City, IN
Anne Hardy	Jr., Normal, IL
Christine King	So., Columbus, OH
Cortney Korshak	Fr., Buffalo Grove, IL
Abigail Lampos	Fr., Orland Park, IL
Bethany Long	Fr., Merritt, MI
Jenna McCullough	Fr., Fishers, IN
Amy Richardson	Jr., North Muskegon, MI
Tamara Shaya	So., Loveland, OH
Rachel Solyst	Jr., Northfield, IL
Bethany Stopher	So., Charlestown, IN
Bethany Syverson	So., Aurora, IL
Katherine Todd	So., Champaign, IL
Jennifer Walton	Fr., Zionsville, IN
Rachel Woods	Fr., Sturgis, MI



It was a cool fall day when several cars of girls piled out into the Baker Family's driveway. This year was yet again a part of a three-year running tradition: the ladies of Third South English came all the way to Ohio for another fall retreat. Many great memories flood my head when I think of the cool experiences most of us all shared. We had fun, relaxed, and served God's people in a food and clothes distribution center for the hurricane victims of Katrina. This retreat, along with many other events marks a wonderful school year in process. The women of Third South English are absolutely incredible.

There have been ups and downs, but I am honored to say that this year, I got to be apart of these women's lives. I will never forget this year–broomball, scavenger hunts (with the pumpkin fight), Thriller, one-on-ones, random trips to random places, the dollar theater, etc. I know that we will always remember this special year–a year that reflected that God is so amazing and His love for us will never change. We experienced many of God's attributes through the amazing girls on the wing this year.

Story by Katherine Baker



Row 1 (bottom row) from Left to Right: Leslie Brockelsby, Lindsey Cokkinias, Connie Asher, Kate Todd, Bethany Long
Row 2: Bethany Syverson, Cortney Korshak, Christie King, Anne Marie Hardy, Brittany Davis, Rachel Woods
Row 3 (top row): Rebecca Carhart, Kari Barrows, Laura Kashian, Bethany Stopher, Rachel Solyst, Abby Lampos, Jenny Walton, Katherine Baker

2nd GERIG



Catherine Barnett	Fr., Peoria, IL
Laurie Daugherty	So., Wooster, OH
Jessica Degenhardt	Jr., Greenwood, IN
Rachel Dornon	Fr., Middletown, OH
Allison Easterhaus	Jr., Ft Wayne, IN
Abigail Erickson	Fr., Warsaw, IN
Bronwen Greenfield	Fr., South Whitley, IN
Kara Gremaux	So., New Haven, IN
Kathryn James	Jr., Upland, IN
Mical Masterson	Fr., Danville, IN
Dionne McLean	Fr., Effingham, NH
Brianna Nystrom	Fr., Seminole, FL
Alison Orpurt	Jr., Westfield, IN
Eva Reynolds	Fr., Kerthsburg, IL
Lydia Rosensteel	Fr., DesPeres, MO
Victoria Sainsbury	So., Bethel Park, PA
Emily Schmeichel	So., McLaughlin, SD
Rebekah Shenk	So., Goshen, IN
Charity Smith	Fr., Franklin, IN
Megan Villaire	Fr., Okemos, MI
Beth Westra	So., Mount Vernon, WA
Laurie Yardumian	Fr., Ardsley, PA

Although Second Gerig represents less than two percent of Taylor's student body, we make up for the difference in our involvement around campus. Involvement includes Adoration, bells, pep-band, Chorale, orchestra,
jazz-band and more. We have budding scholars, talented athletes, brilliant artists, and great cooks—believe me the frequent fire drills are rarely 2G's fault.

There is a lot of diversity on the floor, but these differences only bring us closer together. There is a very real sense of humility and love on the floor. These are girls that are willing to be open and honest with each other. They are willing to hold each other accountable, and they are also willing to pray and support others in times of joy and times of need. These are girls who love God and love each other deeply and this has been evident this year on the floor. Some of the things that best characterize 2G are back massages, good conversations, fun movies, and laughter—a lot of times no one even knows why, just say something like twenty- page papers or "eighty percent guys" and we end up laughing. This year each of us has gone on cool road trips, played fun board games, had shopping excursions, inside jokes, and lots of hugs. This year has been full of great memories.

Story by Katie James



Gathering outside of center suite, the girls show that even group shots are not dull on 2nd Gerig. Even with many new freshman additions on the floor, the flavor of 2G stayed alive and well.

3rd GERIG

Lindsay Achgill	Jr., Greenwood, IN
Sara Bailey	Fr., Anchor Point, AK
Emily Cobb	So., Louisville, OH
Audra Duling	Fr., Bowling Green, IN
Jerusha Ferbrache	Fr., Bethesda, OH
Erin Frodge	Jr., Carmel, IN
Jennifer Gill	Fr., Livonia, MI
Andrea Grebe	So., Coral Springs, FL
Rebecca Hargrave	Jr., North Fort Myers, FL
Alexandra Hennek	Fr., Arlington Heights, IL
Rachel Hughes	So., Fort Wayne, IN
Susan Jevert	So., Kalamazoo, MI
Heather Kirkwood	Fr., Marion, IN
Anne Lacuesta	Fr., Sidney, OH
Allison Maybray	So., Corry, PA
Margaret McCormick	Jr., Warrington, PA
Ann Simmons	Jr., Holland, MI
Alyssa Smith	Jr., 13013 Marseille,
Kristin Smith	So., Florence, SC
Kristen Sutton	Jr., Findlay, OH
Hannah Troutman	Fr., Lexington, KY
Amy Wood	So., Metro Manila 1780,





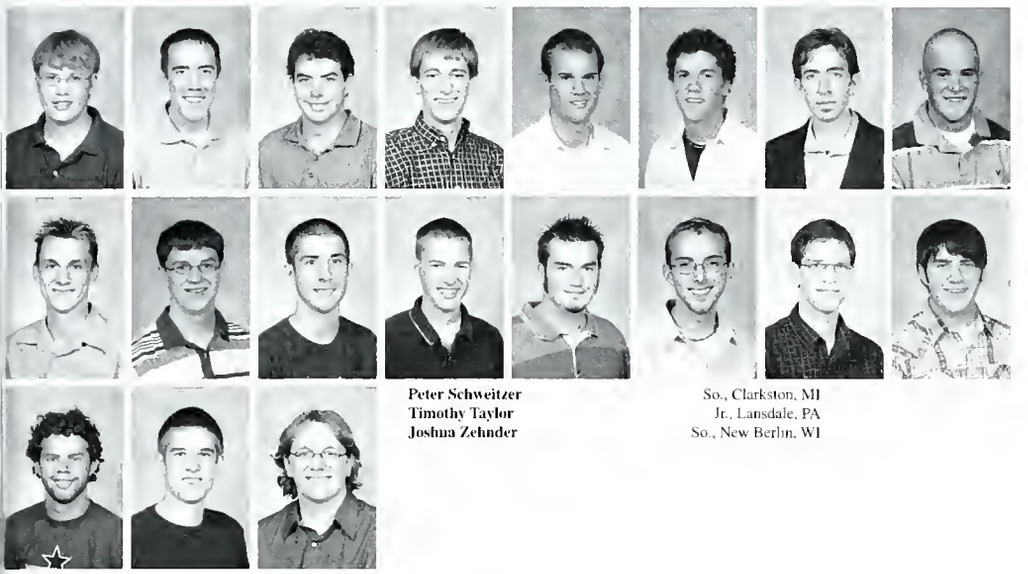
With our tents and sleeping bags loaded and cars packed full of girls, we headed off to our floor's Fall Camping Retreat, not knowing what to expect. Little did we know that the weekend would be such a blast! When we got to the camp ground, put the tents up, and rolled the sleeping bags out, we began an evening of fun and fellowship.

Looking back, I see now what a wonderful time it was getting to know the other girls on our floor. The evening and early morning trail hikes and roasting bagels around the camp fire definitely provided a unique atmosphere. But the most significant experience was the worship and prayer that evening. It was a time of openness and sharing that God used to grow us together as sisters. We had the opportunity to carry each others' burdens and rejoice in the Lord together. That weekend set the tone for our floor for the rest of the year—one of love and support.

Story by Hannah Troutman and Jenny Gill

Making funny faces, the girls on 3rd Gerig take advantage of the opportunity to really laugh. The chain reaction of laughter only made it more difficult to quit, but it showed the fun spirit that was evident on the floor this year.

FOSO



Robert Anderson	Fr., Warsaw, IN
Philip Byers	So., Jeffersonville, IN
Nathan Downhour	Fr., Montpelier, IN
Jeremy Erickson	Fr., Peoria, IL
Thomas Ganz	Jr., Chesterfield, MO
Mark Hamm	Fr., Franklin, PA
Aaron Harrison	Jr., Carmel, IN
Stanley Hoover	Fr., Franklin, PA
Brandon Jacob	Fr., Westampton, NJ
Matthew Josten	Fr., Ventura, IA
Kyle King	So., Richmond, IN
Kyle Loewen	So., Derby, KS
Nathan McCauley	So., Economy, IN
David Phillips	Jr., Fort Wayne, IN
Matthew Reichert	Jr., Bozeman, MT
Andrew Reynolds	So., Kenthsburg, IL
Peter Schweitzer	So., Clarkston, MI
Timothy Taylor	Jr., Lansdale, PA
Joshua Zehnder	So., New Berlin, WI

Fourth Gerig and cooking rarely share company, but when we collided this year it was a tasty experience indeed. FOSO visited our floor hookup's house one night over J-term for a movie and some bread making training. We learned the arts of kneading, mixing, and let-it-rising all under the direction of our loaf-leader Professor Cramer. This was real bread making—not just tossing some ingredients into a bread maker and calling it good.

We patiently and expectantly waited for the bread to come out, and we were not disappointed when it was done. The loaves that emerged from those ovens existed for a very short period of time as they were devoured by the hungry men of FOSO. The fellowship, learning, and eating that took place that night will be stored for a long time in the hearts of those who participated.

Story by Nathan McCauley



Trying out bread making at the Cramer's house, Kyle Loewen, Kyle Fox, Peter Schweitzer, Mikey Skoglund, and Tim Taylor survey the situation and dig in. The experience was rewarding as everyone, including the Cramer's, enjoyed the warm fresh bread after the long process of making it from scratch.

1st WEST OLSON

Kathryn Ames	Fr., Succasunna, NJ
Audrey Beeson	So., Winona Lake, IN
Anne Brady	So., Cross Plains, WI
Erin Buchelt	So., Crown Point, IN
Kathryn Coe	Fr., Rochester Hills, MI
Erin Crabtree	So., Mundelein, IL
Jenny Dawes	Jr., Wabash, IN
Linnea Edstrom	Jr., Arlington Heights, IL
Julie Gabrielsen	Fr., Greenfield, IN
Magdalene Henss	So., Champaign, IL
Kaitlyn Hillesland	Fr., La Crosse, WI
Sarah Hurliman	Fr., Danforth, IL
Cassandra Johnston	Fr., Sharonville, OH
Abby Miller	Jr., Angola, IN
Darcy Miller	Fr., Muncie, IN
Kimberly Miller	So., Goshen, IN
Doris Mvano	So., Kampala,
Megan Percy	Fr., Ripon, WI
Anna Perkins	Fr., Ripon, WI
Kelsey Randall	So., Lawrence, KS
Kelly Rhoads	Jr., Muncie, IN
Laura Rodeheaver	Jr., Hudsonville, MI
Elisabeth Romines	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Jenny Shaffer	So. Klosterneuburg 3400,
Elizabeth Squillante	Fr., New Madison, OH
Katie Vandyke	So., Caledonia, MI
Jennifer Walsh	Jr., Gaylord, MI





Celebrating a birthday at Texas Roadhouse in Muncie, the girls from 1st West Olson take the opportunity to skip out on a DC meal. The girls also were able to see a few 1st West alumni that night, which shows that these relationships formed last much longer than the four years spent here.

The beauty of the sisterhood on First West Olson has been seen through a variety of different events this year. Something new we tried was adopting a community family to help in their yard and around their house. We were able to make it out there each semester this year, both times with our brother floor, Second East Wengatz.

It really was a bonding experience for both of us. Some got to use saws for the first time to cut down trees, ride huge lawn mowers, clean out giant garages, build a bridge, and construct odds and ends to help out the family. We also enjoyed the company the family's adorable young boys, who were ready to offer a helping hand! We felt rewarded as we received home-cooked chili and cookies from the family for our work.

We were so grateful for an opportunity to use the ability of service that God has given us all beyond the Taylor campus, in spite of busy schedules and other demanding activities on campus. It was truly a rewarding experience to be able to work side by side as brothers and sisters in Christ and know that we were not only working as a team for our family, but for the Lord!
Story by Linnea Edstrom

1st EAST OLSON



Meredith Anderson	So., Western Springs, IL
Anne Archibald	Fr., Littleton, CO
Elizabeth Brown	Jr., Logansport, IN
Laura Calhoun	So., Gurnee, IL
Whitney Cerak	Fr., Gaylord, MI
Jennifer Courter	Jr., Belmont, MI
Rebecca Dean	So., Valparaiso, IN
Kelsey Dufendach	So., Ada, MI
Kimberly Duncan	So., Batavia, IL
Amy Dykstra	Fr., Holland, MI
Juli Erickson	Fr., Cumming, GA
Stephanie Fabian	So., Gobles, MI
Emily Gerard	Fr., Lowell, MI
Kelly Halloran	So., Mount Prospect, IL
Amy Handy	So., Wheaton, IL
Krista Hoff	Fr., Westmont, IL
Allison Jocson	Fr., Normal, IL
Miranda Johnson	Fr., Highlands Ranch, CO
Elise Knapp	So., Pittsboro, IN
Ashley Lanphear	So., Bloomington, IL
Rachel Manldin	So., Jackson, MI
Christine Morgan	Jr., Wolfeboro, NH
Sarah Poelstra	Jr., Kettering, OH
Virginia Roe	Jr., Marion, IN
Rebecca Vogler	So., Chesapeake, VA
Sarah Wilson	Fr., Oak Ridge, NC
Sarah Wykstra	Jr., Edina, MN
Heather Young	Jr., Farmington Hills, MI

I have spent the last four years on First East Olson, and this place has become not only my home, but my family (which has grown by 38 members). Spending my last year on campus, rather than in the apartments or in a house, was an easy decision, and I am so glad that I made it. This year has been filled with amazing memories of shower parties, Wednesday night IHOP runs, yelling the 1EO chant at intramural games, and the frequent late night chats. We have had great times and some rough ones this year. We experienced many happy times as we bought Footloose, won a few championships, saw some funny baby pictures, and found Easter egg's at Connie's.

Our favorite, of course, was adding championships to our 1EO championship records. It was great to see how intramurals brought our wing together. From the new freshmen to the experienced seniors, we all bonded as we put on our cleats and battled it out on the field. The happy times were many, but the difficult times were incredibly hard as we thought we had lost a beloved wingmate and friend, Whitney Cerak. During this time, our wing displayed the body of Christ as we literally held each other up. Family is what carries us through the rainiest seasons, so even though good and bad times come, First East Olson is and always will be family.

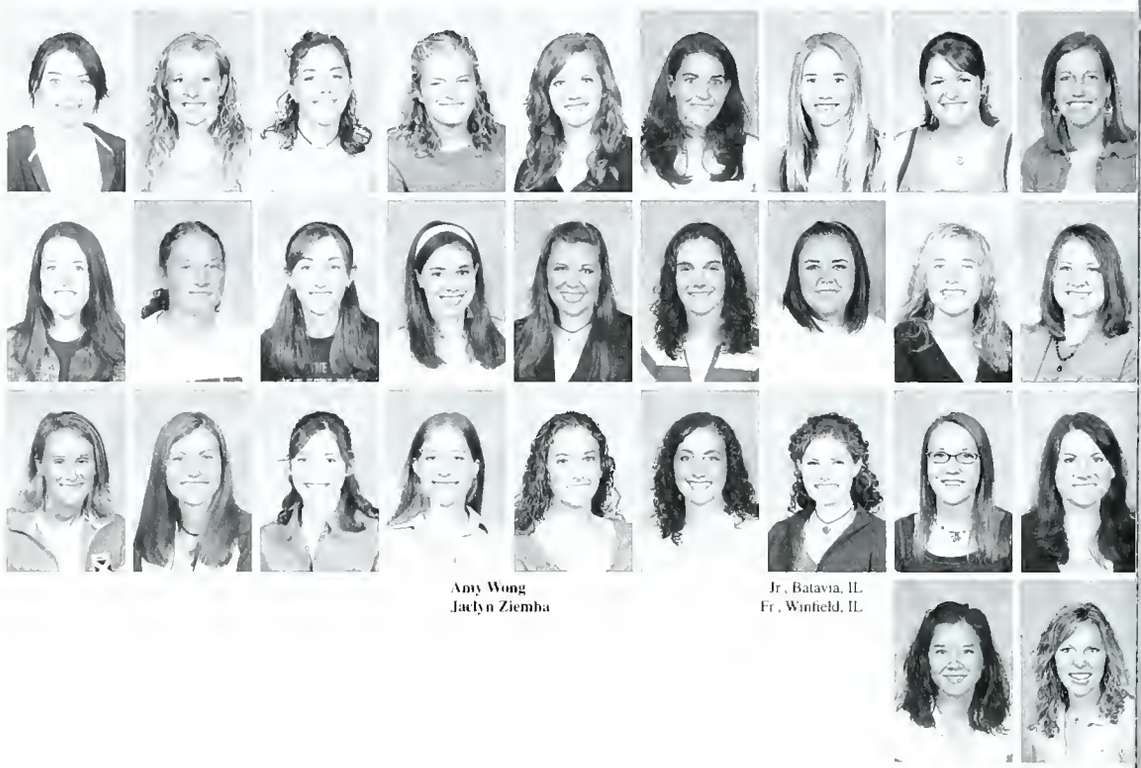
Story by Julie Rohrlack



All dressed up for the freshman Hoe-Down, the girls on 1st East get ready for a night of country square dancing. The night of outside dancing and eating was a great way to start off the beginning of the new school year.

2nd WEST OLSON

Megan Baird	Jr., Madison, WI
Jeane Baker	Jr., Kirkwood, MO
Katherine Bertrand	So., Minooka, IL
Jillian Burkhart	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Leigh Butcher	So., Grosse Pointe Farms, MI
Emily Chase	Jr., Carmel, IN
Rebekah Davis	Fr., Westfield, IN
Amy Dawes	Fr., Wabash, IN
Kelly Duncan	Jr., Oak Ridge, NC
Sarah Edmondson	Fr., St Louis, MO
Jade Flora-Holmquist	Fr., Batavia, IL
Lindey Fox	Jr., Carmel, IN
Lauren Gohell	Fr., Avon, CT
Ashley Gross	Fr., Columbia, MO
Stacey Jackson	So., Alma, MI
Jane Johnston	Jr., Libertyville, IL
Brittany Kroll	So., Upland, IN
Elizabeth Kuhns	Jr., Cincinnati, OH
Amanda Probst	So., Loveland, OH
Natalie Roberts	Jr., Murphysboro, IL
Monica Ruso	Jr., Wheaton, IL
Heather Saunders	So., Saint Maries, ID
Jessica Shanebrook	So., Woodburn, IN
Kathryn St. Cyr	Fr., Arnold, MD
Christine Sullivan	Fr., Crofton, MD
Molly Teune	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Renae Timbie	Jr., Upland, IN



Amy Wong — Jr., Batavia, IL
Jaclyn Ziemba — Fr., Winfield, IL

As we say on Second West, "It's not just a wing, it's a lifestyle." It has been incredible to see how even though we are different people with different backgrounds and interests, we are all proud to call ourselves Second Westers and excited to be part of its legacy. As a leader on the wing, it was wonderful to stand aside and see God's work in relationships between the women on the wing and outside the wing as well.

Even though our traditional Cubs pick-a-date did not work out this year, we replaced it with the sweet Hummer pick-a-date. We all piled into a few stretch Hummers for a ride around Indianapolis. We had so much fun, and our dates loved it, too.

The addition of our 14 new freshman added a new spice to our wing this year. We succeeded in showing them how 2nd East works–we work together, as one unit that encourages, helps, and is there for whoever needs it. As all the Juniors leave the wing, passing the torch on to our younger sisters, we leave you with the wise words of Michael Jackson, from our beloved 2WO (Free Willy) theme song, "I'll never let you part, for you're always in my heart."

Story by Jeane Baker



After a great homemade dinner, the girls of 2nd West Olson gather together for a picture. The wing retreat was a great way to get away from campus for the weekend, and the girls returned sharing deeper friendships because of it.

2nd CENTER OLSON



Allison Anderson	So., Western Springs, IL
Julianne Beadner	Fr., Grand Rapids, MI
Jessica Beck	Jr., Archbold, OH
Julie Beck	Jr., Arlington Heights, IL
Katelyn Bennett	Fr., Greenwood, IN
Corie Boroski	So., Elmhurst, IL
Kelsey Brown	Fr., Troy, MI
Lindsey Burkitt	Fr., Batavia, IL
Rebecca Clouse	Fr., Greenwood, IN
Rachael Cusack	Jr., Grand Rapids, MI
Elizabeth Gagliardi	So., Loveland, OH
Kacia Hillesland	Jr., La Crosse, WI
Laura Lawson	Jr., Chambersburg, PA
Katie Markham	So., Arvada, CO
Ashling McGann	So., Havertown, PA
Jessie Oddgeirsson	Fr., DeKalb, IL
Olivia Odle	Jr., Danville, IN
Sharon Roussean	Fr., Batavia, IL
Jenna Rufenacht	Fr., Wauseon, OH
Lindsay Schiller	So., Hawthorn Woods, IL
Whitney Smith	Fr., Bridgman, MI
Elizabeth Tien	So., Schoolcraft, MI
Kellyn Walker	Fr., Zionsville, IN
Molly Yentes	Fr., Clive, IA
Lolly York	Jr., Mobile, AL

Late night Airband practices, deep talks in the lounge, intense football practice, all-nighters on the gold couch, sardines in the library, runs to Ivanhoe's and Handy Andy...This is life on Second Center Olson. With over half the wing comprised of freshmen, these women have tons of energy and enthusiasm. This energy overflows into all areas of life: schoolwork, relational community, worship, and deep discussions.

Energy often produces laughter. Extremely comfortable with one another, these girls are not afraid to "let loose." I have witnessed countless strange events on 2CO accompanied by gales of laughter. The carefree attitude of these girls combined with their joy in life makes Second Center a crazy and fun place to be.

Laughter is fun and good, but the energy these girls have also produces deep passion for the Lord and for each other. To use a Taylor cliché, these girls are "solid." I have been blown away by their depth and their desire to draw closer to the Lord through the Word and His Spirit. Almost every Wednesday night, a group of us gathers in the lounge to talk about recent insights from the Word, personal struggles, ways in which the Lord is working in our lives, and individual prayer requests. No matter if there are two girls or 10, it is always a meaningful time of fellowship.

And that fellowship does not just take place on Wednesday nights. These girls are committed to keeping each other accountable, discussing tough issues, and spurring one another on to further growth on a daily basis. This is Christ's body in the flesh. This is Second Center Olson.

Story by Jessica Beck



Always up for a fun outing, the girls on 2nd Center Olson go out to lunch in September to get to know the freshmen better. There was never a dull moment on 2nd Center, as PA, Jess Beck, was always planning and getting everyone excited for the next outing.

2nd EAST OLSON

Melissa Baum	So., Caledonia, MI
Laura Bonness	Fr., Overland Park, KS
Natalie Brewer	So., Churubusco, IN
Janessa Cole	So., Cloverdale, IN
Amanda Eicher	Fr., Montpelier, OH
Audra Fritzen	So., Normal, IL
Brittany Hughes	Fr., Rolling Prairie, IN
Emily Hunt	So., Auburn, IN
Anne Le Gall	Fr., West Trenton, NJ
Kristen Long	So., Houghton Lake, MI
Valerie Long	Jr., Greenwood, IN
Stephanie Marshall	Fr., Mishawaka, IN
Whitney Neier	So., Roachdale, IN
Laura Nicholson	So., Greenwood, IN
Kelly Pence	So., Rochelle, IL
Jenniter Peterson	Fr., Prospect Heights, IL
Kimberly Price	Fr., Franklin, TN
Erin Rainford	Fr., West Lafayette, IN
Joy Resetar	Jr., Peoria, AZ
Melissa Ryabik	So., Peachtree City, GA
Allison Sharp	Fr., Tucson, AZ
Amanda Taylor	Fr., Florissant, MO
Megan Taylor	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Natalie Uetrecht	Jr., Saint Louis, MO
Emily Wallace	Jr., Greenwood, IN
Susan Woneh	Fr., Grand Rapids, MI



On the first weekend of school, our wing took a retreat. We headed down to a town called Roachdale, Ind., to Whitney Neier's pig farm. Now for the most part, with a few exceptions, the girls of second east come from big cities and are not quite use to smell of the country air, the manure on the ground, and the pigs themselves. After we all ate and had our praise and worship, Whitney wanted to give us a tour of the farm. She took us on a tour of the furrow wing barn. In this barn piglets that are two days old go through processing. Most of us did not know what processing a pig meant, so Whitney showed us the whole process. It was definitely a memorable moment! Most of us were totally shocked, but now, we look back on the memory fondly.

We returned to campus as the same group of diverse girls that left: we were all from different backgrounds and home-states, had different likes and dislikes, and each had our same unique personalities. However, we returned to campus with a greater love for each other, and we now all had one thing in common: we knew how to process a pig.

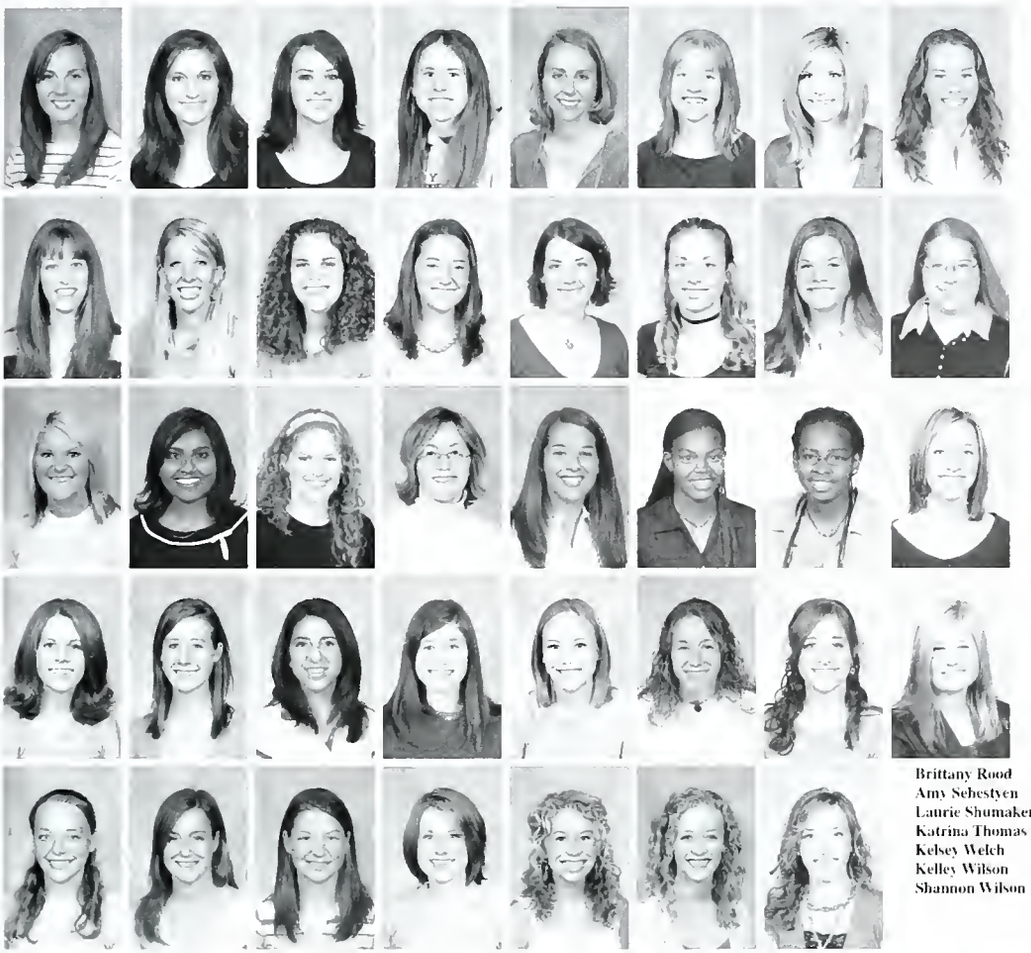
Yes, it may be gross, but this is just a representation of how the rest of the year unfolded. We looked past our differences and created incredible friendships rooted in our common love for the Lord.

Story by Kyler Faust



Coming together for a photo at their fall wing retreat, the ladies on Second East make their friendships evident through their smiles. The retreat to Whitney Neier's pig farm was an unforgettable weekend that helped unify the wing from the very start of the school year.

3rd WEST OLSON



Kasie Abnet	Jr., Berne, IN
Heather Areano	So., Damascus, MD
Brittany Beckham	So., Tucson, AZ
Rebekah Bergens	So., Medaryville, IN
Emily Bergstrom	Fr., Trophy Club, TX
Amanda Case	Fr., Port Huron, MI
Casey Davis	Jr., Beavercreek, OH
Rebekah Davis	Jr., Carmel, IN
Jamie Demaree	Jr., Madison, IN
Kayley Duke	So., Westfield, IN
Shawna Finger	So., Medina, OH
Brittany Girgis	Fr., Oak Brook, IL
Ashley Haag	Jr., Harleysville, PA
Heather Haskins	Jr., Portage, MI
Julie Heth	So., Upland, IN
Denise Holley	Fr., Gilbertsville, PA
Sarah Hughey	So., Indianapolis, IN
Sheena Hungakoon-Perera	Jr., Upland, IN
Laura Kelley	Fr., West Chicago, IL
Leanna Kelton	Jr., Cicero, IN
Catherine Kokrda	Jr., Wheaton, IL
Anne Langat	Fr., Kericho,
Norah Langat	Fr., Kericho,
Marybeth Larson	So., Oakdale, MN
Kelly McCann	Jr., Veedersburg, IN
Eliza McKelway	Fr., Bethesda, MD
Sara Moran-Facanha	Fr., Glen Ellyn, IL
Hannah Moser	So., Goshen, IN
Amy Nelson	So., Poland, OH
Heidi Oliver	Jr., Williamsport, MD
Jessica Petosa	So., Holland, PA
Heidi Prillwitz	Jr., Mosinee, WI
Brittany Rood	So., Clay City, IN
Amy Sebestyen	Fr., Upland, IN
Laurie Shumaker	Fr., Beach Park, IL
Katrina Thomas	Jr., Darien, IL
Kelsey Welch	Jr., Verona, WI
Kelley Wilson	Fr., Painesville, OH
Shannon Wilson	Jr., White Lake, MI

Third West Olson started off the year under construction but as first semester continued, we grew to become a family. September brought many new upperclassmen and freshmen to our wing, but it was not long before we became like sisters. At first, our conversations revolved around our old stories, but it did not take long before our old stories were replaced with new ones—and of course they were filled with our sisters on Third West.

One of our favorite stories was initiated by the freshmen who started us off with a "Chocolate-Hat Party" early first semester. The entire wing received hand-made invitations to this party that was to take place in room 308 and we were instructed to wear a hat and bring three jokes—the chocolate would be provided. On September 23rd at 11p.m., we showed up wearing hats and bearing jokes. Chocolate in all flavors and shapes was scattered throughout the room. Third West sat down to a night of laughter, friendship and amazing chocolate. Other parties followed, including: Sock-Coffee Party, Good-bye to Summer Party and a Salsa-Earring Party. Our family on Third West made memories that marked our amazing year, and the party stories will continue to be our favorite to tell.
Story by Heidi Prillwitz



Piling into the end of the hallway on Third West, the girls sqeeze in the annual floor picture. The end of the hall was a common meeting place for the girls, as they often utilized the comfortable couch at the end of the wing for late-night chats or homework sessions.

3rd CENTER OLSON

Heidi Babson	So., Abington, MA
Kara Barnett	Fr., Rochester, IN
Angela Boline	Jr., Normal, IL
Bethany Buchwalter	So., Wooster, OH
Ashley Childress	So., Decatur, GA
Erin Connors	So., Williamsville, NY
Heather Fountain	Jr., Novato, CA
Christie Frey	So., Wheaton, IL
Jennifer Gallagher	Fr., Quincy, IL
Audra Gustin	So., Bedford Hills, NY
Katie Hettinga	Jr., Lowell, MI
Marie Knehl	So., Zion, IL
Emily Lambert	Fr., Aurora, OH
Kathryn Lehman	Jr., Middletown, OH
Laura Levon	Jr., Arlington Heights, IL
Carly Lightner	So., Roanoke, IN
Katherine Madden	So., Florence, KY
Kristi McCardy	Fr., Nassau,
Nancy Patterson	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Meredith Self	So., Bradley, IL
Bethany Swafford	Fr., Mount Pleasant, IA
Kristina Thoryk	Jr., La Grange, IL
Melissa Waldron	So., Seminole, FL





Stopping for a quick photo, the girls from 3rd Center Olson pose outside of Olson Hall before meeting the brother wing for a game of capture the flag. With spring finally here, the girls took every chance to enjoy the nice weather.

Dull is one word that could never describe Third Center Olson. The excitement and energy of the girls this year had no limit. Laughter bounced off the walls and frequently elicited a "Quiet hours!" yell from girls walking by. Pranks were played at all hours of the day, hugs were abundant, and a smile was always ready.

One of the most memorable events of the year was the first ever 3CO Super Bowl Party. This year the championship football game was projected onto the wall to create the ultimate viewing experience, and stadium seating was arranged with the extra furniture from the rooms. The girls baked snacks to make the Super Bowl party complete. We spent the evening in high spirits, with frequent cheers and objections erupting from the "stands." It was a great night of fun, simply celebrating friendships and the love of sports.

Even more that this, though, these girls had an amazing bond as sisters in Christ. Through trials and triumphs, the girls of Third Center come alongside one another in a demonstration of the tie that goes deeper than simple friendship. Tough times on the wing only served to bring the girls closer together. Experiencing hardship helped to make the sweet moments of life that much better. For the school year, this wing truly becomes a place called home.

Story by Katie Hettinga

3rd EAST OLSON



Barbara Bailey	Jr., Herrick, IL
Bliss Barber	Fr., Chesterfield, MO
Rebecca Beeh	Jr., Saint Charles, IL
Rebecca Chow	Fr., Downers Grove, IL
Michelle Cravens	Fr., Lexington, KY
Emily Dvoratchek	Jr., Arlington Heights, IL
Eleanore Egan	Fr., Geneva, IL
Jaclyn Fahlen	Jr., Rockford, MI
Malynda Gamble	Jr., Winfield, IL
Julia Germann	Jr., Woodbury, MN
Gabrielle Henderson	Jr., Wheaton, IL
Emily Hess	So., Arlington Heights, IL
Sara Hightower	Jr., Arcanum, OH
Sarah Huff	Fr., Bremen, IN
Adrienne Kuk	So., Trabuco Canyon, CA
Kristen Marsh	So., Greenwood, IN
Sarah Meisner	Fr., Waterford, MI
Amy Morrison	Jr., West Chicago, IL
Sara Nelson	So., Granger, IN
Kira Olson	SR, Naples, FL
Alyse Robertson	Fr., Naperville, IL
Erin Sanders	So., Indianapolis, IN
Jennifer Skoba	Fr., Westerville, OH
Laura Sobota	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Carley Spence	Fr., Batavia, IL
Rachel Sutton	Jr., Muskegon, MI
Stephanie Sutton	Fr., Aurora, OH
Sarah Toldt	Jr., Mequon, WI
Allison Van Alstine	Fr., Lafayette, IN
Kiira Vandermoordaa	Fr., Seymour, IL
Jill Wilcoxen	Jr., Carol Stream, IL
Alli Wolgemuth	So., Aurora, CO

In a land not too far away, a place we call home,
is the hall with endless clutter, where 3rd Easters roam.
Fourteen freshmen came storming through in August and at the end of ISP.
We never could have expected how crazy they would be.
The juniors and the sophomores enjoyed no-shave, cookie open house, and wing dinners each day at 5:15
These women were in leadership, took road trips, and were known as anything but mean.
Toldt and Tower are the mommas of this place and they are often addressed as PA!
Their job description is random, what more can I say?
The year has been challenging and lots of girls have grown and changed
Amazing girls come together even as Olson is rearranged.
The memories from 2005 and 2006 stand out from all the rest
'Cause deep down in our hearts, we'd like to think that Third East is the best.

Story by Sarah Toldt and Sarah Hightower



Lounging on the lawn, the girls from 3rd East Olson show just how close they are to each other. They were sure to goof off whenever possible, but knew when to get serious when one of their sisters on the wing needed support.

FOUNDATION

Brent Anderson	So., Hartford City, IN
Evan Atkinson	So., Milford, IN
Olamide Benson	Fr., Lagos,
Benjamin Billman	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Joshua Crawford	So., Fort Wayne, IN
Kevin Crosby	Fr., Holland, MI
Caleb Farmer	SR, Cory, IN
Michael Farnsley	So., Shelbyville, IN
Brandon Fitzsimmons	Fr., Gregory, MI
Christopher Hoskins	Jr., Newark, IL
Andrew Miller	Fr., Speedway, IN
Daniel Miller	Jr., Speedway, IN
Jim Moore	Jr., Palm Bay, FL
Isaiah Mylin	Jr., Carmel, IN
Robert Neuenschwander	Jr., Bluffton, IN
Josef Ott	Jr., Davenport, IA
Jared Schlak	So., Brazil, IN
Jeffrey Schlak	Fr., Brazil, IN
Cory Simmon	So., Northbrook, IL
Benjamin Taylor	Jr., Nicholasville, KY
Ryan Thill	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Kyle Van Buren	Jr., Saline, MI
Hugh White	So., Chelsea, MI
Ryan Woldman	Jr., Wheaton, IL





Putting a new meaning on packing the car, men of Foundation manage to fit their luggage and a bigger-than-life-sized bunny in the car for spring break. From left to right: Andrew Fredrickson, Steve"Danger" Conn, Nathaniel Colson, Kevin Crosby, Ben Taylor, Michael Farnsley, and Bunny Deluxe.

There are some that would say that Foundation is not so much a floor as it is an experience. ~Unknown Fitzo-hughanian philosopher.~

To put it succinctly, I really love my floor. The relationships that we have are built on a level of mutual respect that I haven't found anywhere else on campus. People talk about "Taylor Community" so much we sometimes forget that "Taylor Community" actually exists, and it's amazing. Sometimes I think of our floor like the first century church. We bear each other's burdens, we help each other, we share fellowship and guidance. And sometimes we get arrested.

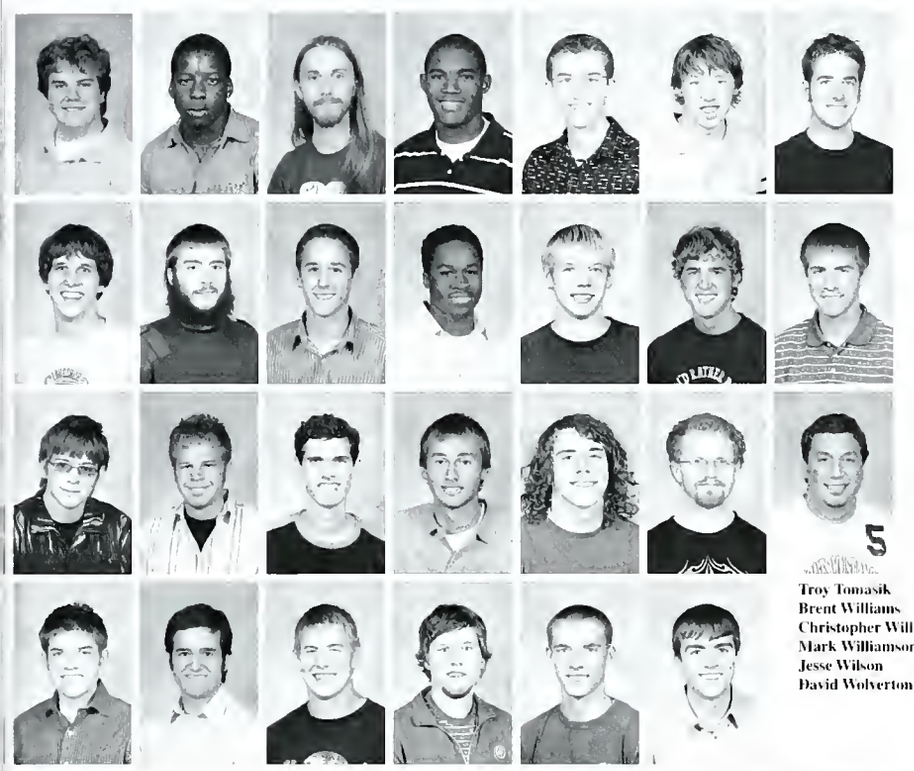
And there's something refreshing about having friends that are very serious; but only when strictly necessary. The rest of the time we're chasing ninjas, running in boxes, jokin' wild and free, hoot-hollerin,' high fivin' and yes, playing flattress. Vacancies are limited but due to recent public demand we're currently widening the corridors and adding more "rooms," so apply today, we're filling up. Joking aside though, I feel like God has blessed our floor and I honestly value it as a gift. I don't know if we're the perfect floor but it is my sincere hope and prayer that the community and relationships that we've created here are honoring to HIM. I'm, proud of my brothers, and I think they are an answer to that prayer.

Live Comfort Eagle

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Story by Ben Taylor

SAMMY II



Neil Aeschliman	Jr., Cedar Park, TX
Chukwuduhem Arah	Fr., Marina Lagos,
Aaron Bengtson	Jr., Longmont, CO
Ian Brown	Fr., Naples, FL
Cody Cramer	Jr., Decatur, IN
Jacob Elsts	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Jordan Elwell	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Noah Epple	So., Indianapolis, IN
Joshua Greenman	Fr., Sparta , MI
Daniel Haller	Jr., Delaware, OH
Joseph Hamgeri	Fr., Bensenville, IL
Erik Hatcher	Fr., Vienna A-1220,
Joshua Hibschman	Fr., Mishawaka, IN
Aaron Hoesli	Fr., Boyne City, MI
Kevin Jones	Fr., Pierceton, IN
Harrison Kernitz	Fr., Hoffman Estates, IL
Randall Kizer	Fr., Griffith, IN
Andrew Kuiper	So., Plainwell, MI
Quentin McCaffrey	Fr., Upper Grandview, NY
Jeffrey Persons	Jr., Kalamazoo, MI
Kevin Satterblom	Jr., Kouts, IN
Troy Tomasik	Fr., Fishers, IN
Brent Williams	Fr., Palm Springs, CA
Christopher Williams	So., Columbus, IN
Mark Williamson	Fr., Sugar Land, TX
Jesse Wilson	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
David Wolverton	Jr., Portland, IN

Looking out the window, a wave of pride, happiness, and nostalgia welled up in me. There, right out by "The Hurl," were two little boys being pushed by their father on the tire swing that the men of Sammy II had created. Finally, their father decided it was time to move on. One boy gripped the tire with all his might as his dad tried to pull him away from the swing. There was no place else the little boy wanted to be. But the ride was over. As I am finishing up my time on SammyII, I know exactly how that little boy felt.

That being said, time for a little honesty. The first time I stepped foot on Sammy II, I was a little creeped out. I don't think I had ever seen so many grown men hugging each other in my entire life. Either this was some elaborate scheme to make freshman feel very uncomfortable, or these guys cared about each other like I had never seen in my life. Turns out, the latter was the case.

There are a few things that really typify my experience on "The Deuce." First, the amount of fun we always managed to have. Whether we were making an appearance at the women's Bring Your Own Cup or playing a midnight game of Tennis Ball Wiffle Ball, the good times never stopped. Secondly, the way our floor tried to accept everyone made my experience unique . You don't have to be a certain type of guy to be accepted on Sammy II, you just have to be on Sammy II. Lastly, the men of Sammy II are there for their brothers. I can not count the number of times I have seen 50 or more guys lift up their brother in prayer in his time of need. This is the real SammyII.
Story by Chris Browning



Gathering around the TV for a night of polar pops, popcorn and ESPN, the men on Sammy II enjoy their usual weekend night. The laid-back atmosphere made all feel welcome and comfortable at any given time.

BROHO

Luke Baeslack	Jr., Dayton, OH
Russell Bafikian	Fr., Alpine, CA
Michael Bentley	Jr., Solon, OH
Jonathan Bohannan	Jr., Chesapeake, VA
Taylor Chase	SR, Auburn, IN
Ryan Cooley	So., Calhan, CO
Braden Dissinger	Fr, Lewis Center, OH
Chris Fink	Jr , Humboldt, IA
Joseph Garrison	So , Indianapolis, IN
Ryan Gregory	So., Mooresville, IN
Brandon Halberstadt	So., Sartell, MN
Matthew Hall	Jr , South Bend, IN
Luke Harty	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
David Heath	So , Warren, PA
Nicholas Helderman	So , Marshall, IN
Gregory Hewitt	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Michael Ho	Jr., Sartell, MN
Brandon Hoff	So , Bloomington, IL
David Kasper	Fr , Mount Vernon, OH
Jonathan Kemp	Jr , Davidsville, PA
Andrew Kouns	Fr , Mooresville, IN
Michael Krone	Jr., Winfield, IL
Kyle Latino	Jr , Greenwood, IN
Adam Lehman	So , Berne, IN
Christian Leman	Fr , Delphi, IN
Ryan Lorimer	Fr , West Chicago, IL
Jason Love	So , Zionsville, IN
Timothy McKenna	Fr., Crown Point, IN
Craig Miller	So., La Porte, IN
Jeremy Mitchell	So , Westfield, IN
Jonathan Mohr	So , Marion, IL
Grafton Moore	Jr., Flint, MI
Eric Morse	So , Sandusky, OH
Joel Mostad	Jr., Perry, OH
Eric Muller	Jr , Indianapolis, IN
Daniel Ozinga	So , Willowick, OH
Eric Peterson	Fr , Long Lake, MN
Jared Quick	Fr , Powell, OH
Chad Reynolds	Fr , Delphos, OH
David Ricca	Jr , Naperville, IL
Evan Rotert	Fr , Wheaton, IL
Brian Salmon	Fr , Lancaster, PA
Blake Sampson	Jr., Lake Jackson, TX
Jonathan Schelander	Fr , Shippensburg, PA
Robert Sharp	Fr , Tucson, AZ
Nathan Shepple	Fr , Greenwood, IN
Jordan Shew	Fr , Chambersburg, PA
Scott Smith	So., La Porte, IN
Jeffrey Smyth	Fr., West Chester, PA
Caleb Soldner	Fr , Decatur, IN
Matthew Stallings	Jr , Greenwood, IN
David Swinburne	So , Muskegon, MI
Andrew Vanderschaaf	Fr , Alto, MI
Timothy Vanreenen	Jr , Alto, MI



John Walt	So., 2511 Pfaffstatten,
Joseph Whattoff	So., Savoy, IL
Cason Wittig	Jr , Greenwood, IN
Jonathan Wolf	So , Carol Stream, IL

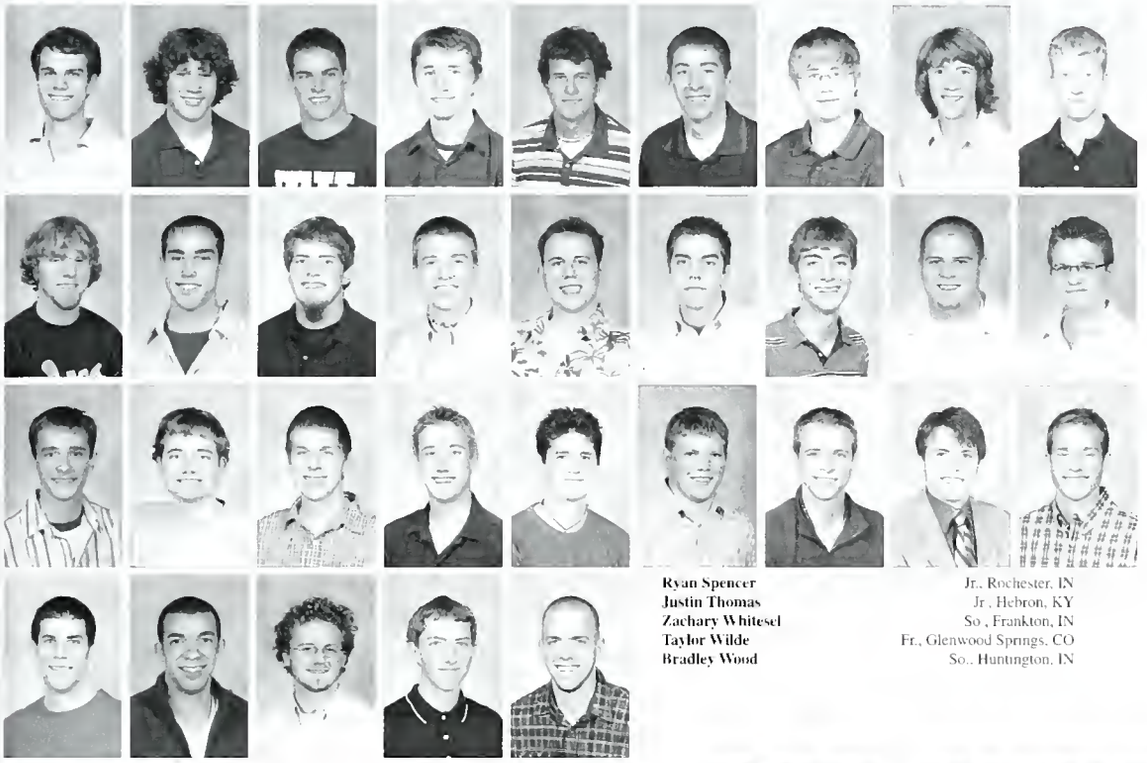


Broho's intramural basketball team: Front Row (Left to Right): Scott Smith, Christian Leman; Back Row (Left to Right): Brandon LaFontaine, Adam Lehman, Brian Salmon, Caleb Soldner, Ryan Gregory

This year, something that brought the Brotherhood together was attending the 12:01a.m. "opening" showing of Harry Potter: and the Goblet of Fire. Whether it was arriving an hour early to hang out at the theatre, listening to the drunken lady laugh at the wrong parts of the movie, yelling "Hey, Yo, Ronny!" or "Summon the dragon!" we all enjoyed the evening.

While these sort of light-hearted, fun times are a key component of what the Brotherhood is about, a more serious side of the floor was evident in the institution of a new weekly event this year. Tuesday Testimony Time was a weekly gathering of guys on the floor to come together, eat some pancakes, and listen to one member of the floor give his testimony. Whether is was hearing how God worked in the lives of Broho members on Lighthouse trips, finding out the struggles that guys on the floor have overcome, or hearing the pains and joys of their current lives, Tuesday Testimony Time was a time to come together as a floor and get an in depth look at one guy's life. Getting to know each other's story and helping one another is what the Brotherhood was about this year.
Story by Adam Lehman

PENTHOUSE



David Bancroft	Fr., Charlotte, NC
Matthew Casali	Fr., Wauconda, IL
Garrett Chaffey	So., Richardson, TX
Trevor Clifford	Jr., Russell, PA
Nicholas Coats	Fr., Winchester, IN
Gabriel Davis	Fr., Marion, IN
Benjamin Diener	Fr., Goshen, IN
Nicholas Estelle	Fr., New Castle, IN
Andrew Finch	So., Wheaton, IL
Kevin Gilbert	Fr., Mentor, OH
Jonathan Goble	Fr., Adrian, MI
Benjamin Greenman	Fr., Sparta, MI
Bradley Haring	So., Fort Lauderdale, FL
Matthew Helmholz	Jr., West Chicago, IL
Jonas Herum	Jr., Greenwood, IN
Matthew Hurst	Fr., New Castle, IN
Tyler Kesler	So., Knoxville, TN
Trevor Kight	So., Geneva, IL
Kevin Little	So., Bellville, OH
Jonathan Mathis	So., Naperville, IL
Andrew Neel	Fr., Hartford City, IN
Kyle Norwood	Fr., Middlebury, IN
Kevin Peifer	So., Corinth, TX
Mark Penner	So., Butterfield, MN
Ryan Schmucker	So., Millersburg, OH
Eric Seidelman	Fr., Aurora, IL
Andrew Severns	So., Prairie Village, KS
Ryan Spencer	Jr., Rochester, IN
Justin Thomas	Jr., Hebron, KY
Zachary Whitesel	So., Frankton, IN
Taylor Wilde	Fr., Glenwood Springs, CO
Bradley Wood	So., Huntington, IN

With many new freshman on the floor this year, we had a lot of bonding to do when school started up. It was not long until the usual fall reatreat time came around, and we decided to pack up the cars and head to Michigan. It was a good time to just hang out at the dunes, swim a little, and catch up from the summer.

As the year went on, Penthouse got a little more exciting. The highlight of the year was definitely tea time. Some nights, after having a long day of feeling stupid, we gathered around and had a tea time just to sound smart. The best tea time of the year was when Mark Grunden showed off his talent as he did a litergical dance to the song "Peaches" performed by Tony Tozer.

We will probably grow up and forget the retreats and trips to Handy Andy, but we will never forget tea time with Mark and Tony. It was just that memorable. The year on Penthouse was a good one, and can be summed up with this chant, "Every where we go...people want to know who we are...so we tell them
we are the Penthouse the mighty, mighty Penthouse."

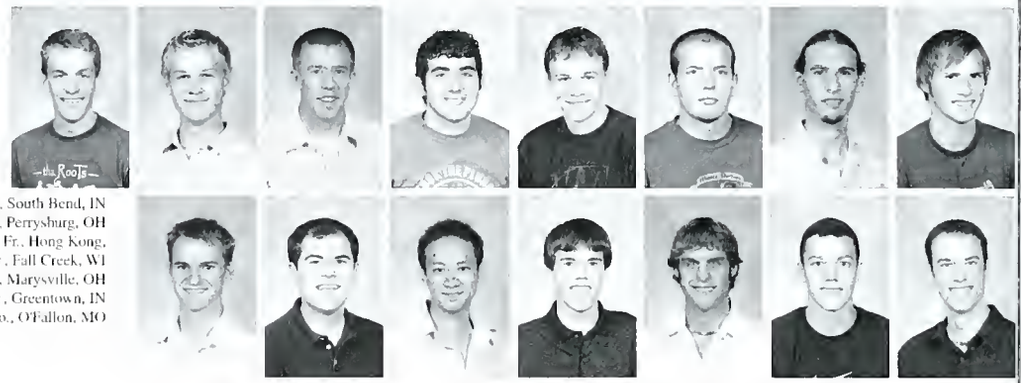
Story by Nate Pelz



Dressed to kill, the Penthouse men give their unique welcome to First Lady, MaryLou Habecker. They gathered at the President's house to show their approval of the new president and his wife, and gave double approval after the Habecker's provided refreshments for the floor.

SWALLOW MEN

John Bahler	So., Kokomo, IN
Seth Barnes	Jr., Gainesville, GA
Tristan Boughton	So., Leesburg, VA
Gabriel Carrion	Fr., Rockford, IL
Steven Clegg	Fr., Bloomington, MN
Nathan Dahl	Fr., Las Vegas, NV
Elijah Dixon	Fr., Newark, OH
Zachary Hunsinger	Fr., Knightstown, IN
Matthew Larson	Jr., South Bend, IN
Gregory Lewis	So., Perrysburg, OH
Jonathan Ma	Fr., Hong Kong,
David Pomeroy	Fr., Fall Creek, WI
Tim Stahl	Jr., Marysville, OH
Stephen Williams	Fr., Greentown, IN
Adam Wolken	So., O'Fallon, MO



Swallow is inarguably a dorm of diversity. Everyone suspects this to be true, but it is an impossible concept to fully comprehend until one is assigned the impossible task of describing the floor in terms of one single event. No single event can describe this floor, because, despite the obvious unity of the Swallow Robin Family, we have very distinct interests, and no one event could possibly hope to represent the interests and experiences of every resident of SR II.

A list of newspaper headlines have been compiled to represent this distinguished floor and the events surrounding it in the past year. And here, for your entertainment and education, are those headlines: "2 Perfect Criminals Break into Greenhouse, Guns vs. Bear Spray: The Debate Rages On, Nudity Law Faithfully Upheld, Local Assassin Interrogated by Campus Police, Caffeine Craze Sweeps Swallow, Lamp Scorches Desk, Cat Terrorizes Hall Director, Attractive Males Study Off-Campus, Man Ignites Own Armpit,
Mike Fisher Displays Strength of 10 Men, 2 Women Visit Dorm; Have Excellent Time, Swallow Devastated by Caffeine Addiction,
Tristan Tackles Spontaneously, Dog on the Floor, Urbanick Defeated in SBP Elections, Inspiring Amount of Mountain Dew Bottles Recycled, Local Man Confesses Love of Cars, Penguins, Clegg Nearly Killed by Tree, Transvestite Displays Floor Spiri, Man Buys Two Bread Makers by Mistake, Senator Pulls Fire Alarm; Has Small Feet,
Water Carbonator a Hit, Spontaneous Wrestling Match Follows Formal Pick-a-Date, Boots Aid in Domestic Communication, Explosion in Room 201."

So rather than being recognized for one common interest or activity, the men of Swallow are recognized for their diversity and their commitment to pursuing their various talents and interests, employing their labors in the worship of God. Our unity therefore lies in our common goal. Though our interests lead us through innumerable avenues, they all lead to the common destination of God's glory, and to a common fellowship assembled in His name.

Story by John Bahler



Spreading Christmas cheer, Nathan Dahl, Steven Clegg, and Andrew Singer provide entertainment for all around. The trio provided Swallow with many laughs, especially as the excitement for Christmas break arose.

SWALLOW WOMEN



Christina Andrews	So., Blue Mound, IL
Katherine Boecker	Fr., Lake Saint Louis, MO
Sara Boltz	So., Albany, IN
Tryphena Chu	So., Glendale, CA
Kathryn Crystal	Fr., Chanhassen, MN
Sandra Delgado	Fr., Galesburg, IL
Kali Fouty	Jr., Rockford, MI
Anna Gentile	So., Croton, OH
Ashley Gipson	Fr., O'Fallon, MO
Jennifer Hamilton	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Holly Hauck	So., Battle Ground, IN
Heather Jordan	Fr., Upland, IN
Anita Kaul	So., Barnesville, OH
Jo Anna Kolbe	Jr., Crystal Lake, IL
Kathleen McKeon	Fr., Medford, NJ
Bridget McNamara	Jr., Evergreen Park, IL
Jessica Raber	Fr., Etna Green, IN
Valerie Schmitt	Jr., Avon, IN
Margaret Shaddle	Jr., Plano, IL
Alexis Steury	So., Berne, IN
Hannah Tabb	Fr., Knightstown, IN
Kara Takagi	Fr., Escondido, CA
Amanda Trumbower	Fr., Madison, WI
Megan Vandam	Jr., New Castle, IN

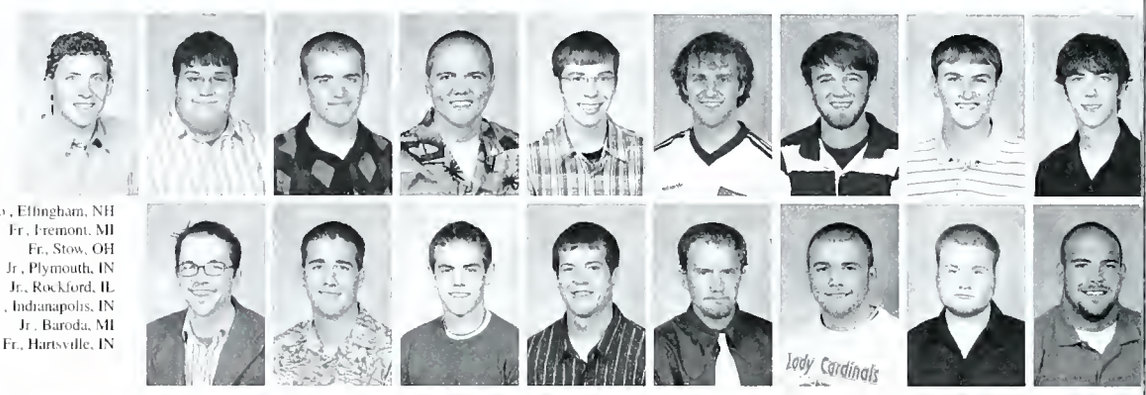
"Beached whale!" we all cried, and flopped on the floor.
Homework is always a terrible bore
When compared to the company of the ladies of Swallow.
Which is why we will faithfully, joyfully follow
The lovely Val. Kaye to the Nutcracker Sweet... (oh wait...)
I thought it suspicious that they had bare feet
In the poster. No matter, we still had great fun
Eating cheesecake, 10.25 breadsticks, and chocolate in tons.
Rope swings, and Indy, and and Buca di Beppo's
Marked the start of our autumn, followed by- Whoa!-
A late-night initiation. Pumpkins galore, in all shapes and sizes,
As well as Januhairy, were awarded with prizes.
Ice skating and floor prayer, though sparsely attended,
Along with the Breakfast Club, I found to be splendid.
Basically, I HEART SWALLOW. That is my decision.
For while some must stay back for the love of cell division,
The joys of midnight Polar Pops will not soon be forgotten.
Though the distance to the DC is admittedly rotten
First Swallow Robin is a well-hidden treasure-
Come see for yourself, and help us to measure
Out ginger for chai. Because in Dr. H's hood,
The freshman 15 never looked this good.
Story by Valerie Schmitt



Staggering on stairs on the first floor, some of the 1st Swallow girls pose for a group photo. This stairway was a popular meeting spot for chatting, waiting for a ride, or even sharing coffee with a friend.

1st EAST WENGATZ

Justin Bell	Jr., Monrovia, CA
Jordan Bradley	Fr., North Judson, IN
Benjamin Briggs	So., Fremont, MI
Philip Burnier	So., Manhattan, IL
Jonathan Crider	Fr., Bluffton, IN
Andrew Demarest	Fr., Caledonia, WI
Matthew Ebright	Fr., Grosse Pointe Park, MI
Stephen Katterhenrich	So., Grove City, OH
Daniel Longeor	So., Elkhart, IN
Dustin McLean	So., Effingham, NH
Zane Meibeyer	Fr., Fremont, MI
Zachary Meyer	Fr., Stow, OH
Robert Read	Jr., Plymouth, IN
Christopher Roettger	Jr., Rockford, IL
Justin Swim	So., Indianapolis, IN
Samuel Walker	Jr., Baroda, MI
Christopher Wheeler	Fr., Hartsville, IN





Justin Swim and his friend sit in the hallway during the Frist East Wengatz Christmans open house.
Photo by Amy Wood

Ahh, First East. The place where dreams can come true... or not come true depending on how realistic your dream is. This year on First East we fervently worked to rid ourselves of the ridiculous nick name Nerd East, only to find out we were prett much the only people who called it that.

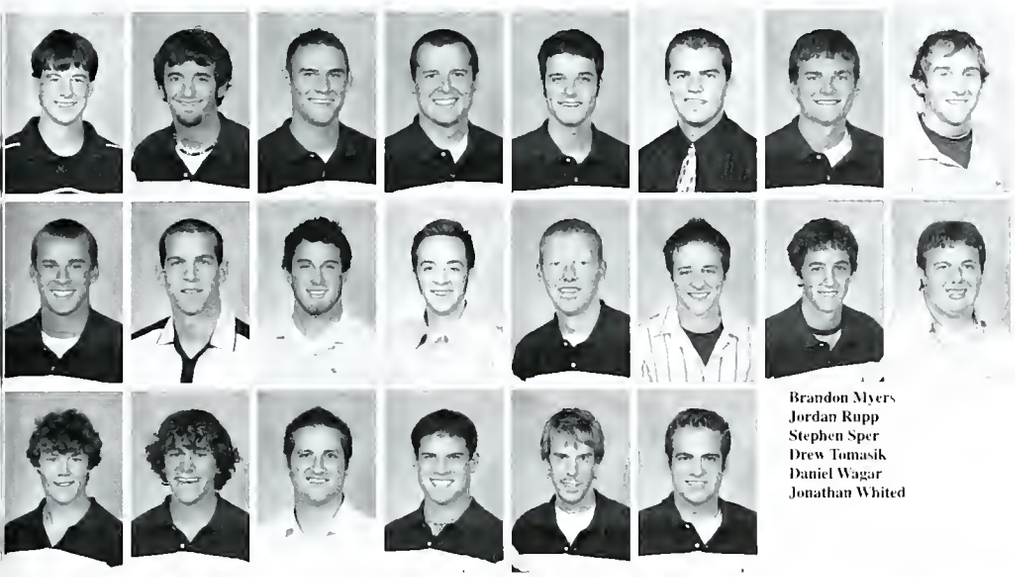
The year was full of getting back our Lower East Side sign and listening to Chris Wheeler yell a lot. In the course of the year we also sent a group of guys on the annual First East Spring Break Habitat for Humanity Trip. We had an amazing group of freshman guys show up to learn stuff and we said good bye to a bunch of seniors who we will definitely miss a lot.

First East was all about male bonding, continuing the tradition of fight nights, and coming excruciatingly close to winning the play offs of every intramural sport we tried our hand at.

Over all we had a great group of guys who loved the Lord work together to make ourselves and each more closely resemble Christ and we had a some what violent/good time doing it.

Story by Dustin McLean

1st WEST WENGATZ



David Adams	So., Doylestown, PA
Robert Bedinghaus	So., Mason, OH
Gregory Etheridge	Jr., Aurora, IL
Brent Freeman	Jr., Indianapolis, IN
Alexander Grayson	Fr., Columbus, IN
Seth Griffin	Jr., Coloma, MI
Paul Holliday	Jr., Lancaster, PA
Ryan Johnson	Jr., Fort Wayne, IN
Brian Kasen	Fr., Grayslake, IL
Benjamin Knisely	Jr., Syracuse, IN
Jason Laing	Jr., Northville, MI
Chad Mangum	Fr., Telford, PA
Michael McKevitt	So., Wheaton, IL
Jeremy Miller	So., Elmhurst, IL
Nathan Miller	So., Mechanicsburg, PA
Daniel Moore	Fr., Upland, IN
Brandon Myers	Fr., Buffalo Grove, IL
Jordan Rupp	Jr., Archbold, OH
Stephen Sper	Jr., Ada, MI
Drew Tomasik	Jr., Fishers, IN
Daniel Wagar	So., Gaylord, MI
Jonathan Whited	Fr., Columbus, IN

Few people are aware of the many hunters, all very Wild at Heart (like the book by John Eldredge) which occupy Phurst West Wengatz. In fact, few people know that many weekends were spent by Phurst Westers waking up at the wee hours of the morn to go out and take part in the art of deer/squirrel/pony hunting. Regardless, this story is a story of one fateful morn—the morn wing-hunting would be forever changed.

I had just gotten off of the phone with a friend of mine in town, Fred, and he had told me that some friends and I could go hunting on the back of his property. I approached my good friend, and several other wing-mates with the prospect of squirrel hunting at Fred's place, and they immediately accepted.

That morning we drove up to Fred's place, and I hopped out of the car. I went up and talked to Fred, and he said it was fine to proceed with our hunting, as we went out and shot a cow of his that had been really sick. I agreed to the terms, and as I was walking up to the car to tell the guys, I decided to twist the story. I told the guys in the car that Fred changed his mind, and that we could no longer hunt on his property. I told the guys that to get even, we were going to go and kill one of his cows. We got out to the barn, and I found the sick cow. I am about ready to shoot the cow, and reveal the joke, when I hear a loud shot from outside the barn. The shot was immediately followed by the words: "Hey Jordan, I got my cow, now get yours and let's go." We will never forget this hilarious story.

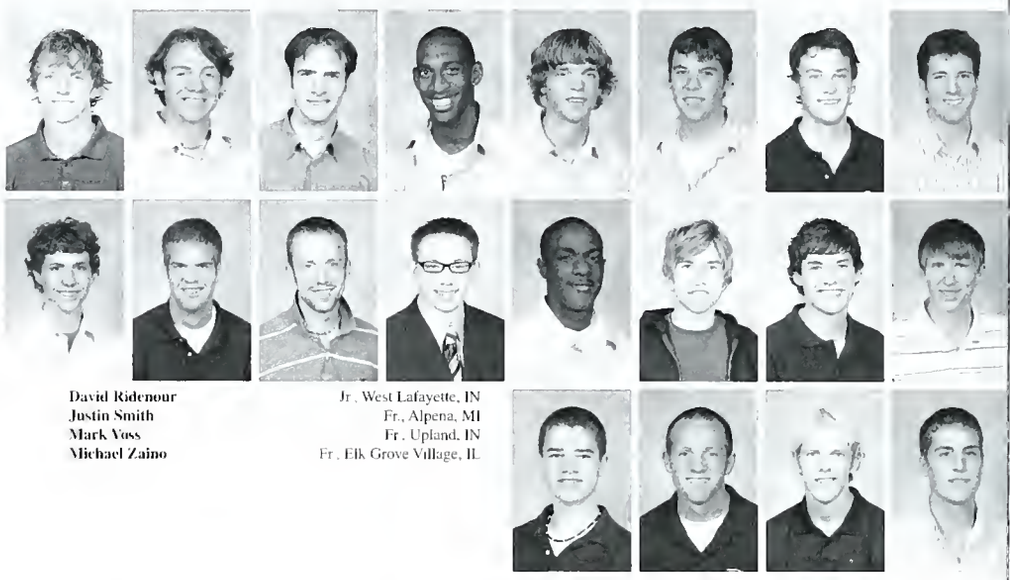
Story by Jordan Stone



After cliff-jumping in Indianapolis, Ryan Johnson, Aaron Baldwin, Chad Mangum, Jordan Rupp, Brent Freeman, Steve Sper find the men's room. The "cliffs" ended up being large rock quarry, but it was a great way to spend a September Saturday, nevertheless.

2nd WEST WENGATZ

Nathan Aucker	Fr., Saint Louis, MO
Austin Bennett	Jr., London, OH
Jonathan Bennett	Jr., Knoxville, TN
Joshua Canada	Jr., Lynchburg, VA
Joshua Case	Jr., Port Huron, MI
William Casey	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Paul Connors	Fr., Glenview, IL
Andrew Dawdy	So., Greenville, IL
Charles Edwards	Fr., Nicholasville, KY
Jared Gebhard	Jr., Dennison, MN
James Glasheen	Fr., Carmel, IN
Jake Grothe	So., Mendota Heights, MN
Brandon House	Jr., Evansville, IN
Brian Looper	Jr., Coldwater, MI
Luke Owsley	So., Madison, WI
Jonathan Prillwitz	Fr., Mosinee, WI
David Ridenour	Jr., West Lafayette, IN
Justin Smith	Fr., Alpena, MI
Mark Voss	Fr., Upland, IN
Michael Zaino	Fr., Elk Grove Village, IL

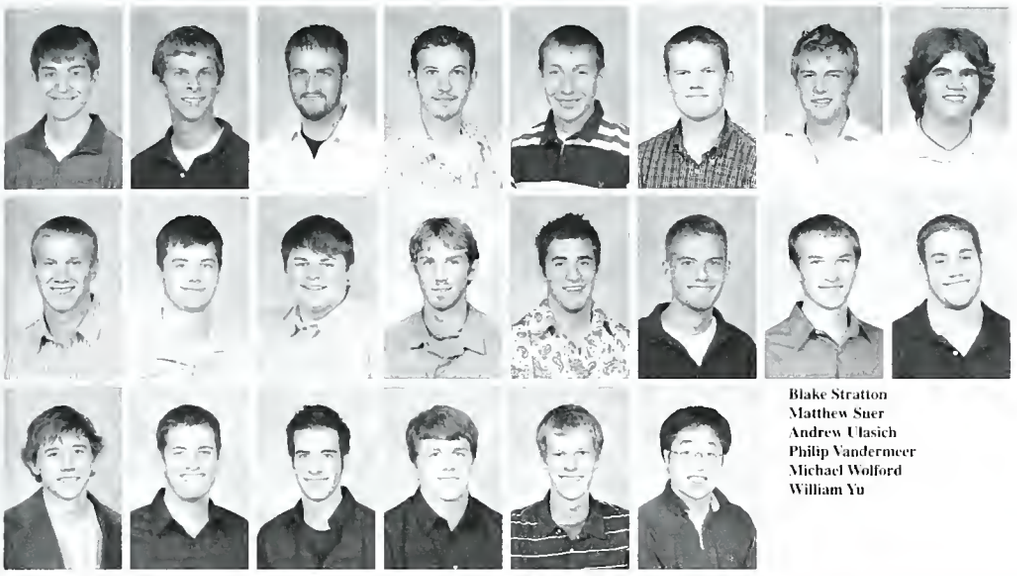




Dressed for their "Tonight we Ride" open-house, the 2nd West men show their enthusiasm. The open-house was a success, complete with a keg of rootbeer and a tattoo parlor.

Second West was out and about in full force yet again this school year in a plethora of activities. Now, Olson and English, you may have been wondering where we were due to the fact that we elected (with overwhelming support of the school) to make our 1st annual 2 a.m. run through your dorms our last as well. For one, you could find us making our first Airband appearance since Mario (which actually wasn't official) alongside our gorgeous yet insane sister wing, 3rd West Olson. You may have also seen us rockin' at My Generation and Nostalgia Night (complete with Luke Owsley with a mullet) as well as finding ways to minister through such events as the Daytona Beach Trip and Youth Conference. But of course, when the year began to wind down, every 2nd Wester's heart started to instinctively rev up for that acme of perfection called, "Tonight We Ride." Thankfully, our open house came together again this year with abundant success. We were fortunate enough to welcome women from far and wide who sought to try on leather jackets and hang with guys donning biker leather and Harley boots. I dare say at least a handful of Taylor women swooned (if only just for a moment), as 2nd West ventured into chapel that Wednesday morning. And all over campus, Xbox controllers were laid aside as young men bravely pioneered their way into that realm known as reality that real people and more importantly real females, inhabit. The root beer was excellent once again and the night (and year) was made complete with an attempt of a keg-stand. Easy Totti.
Story by Brandon Wong

2nd CENTER WENGATZ



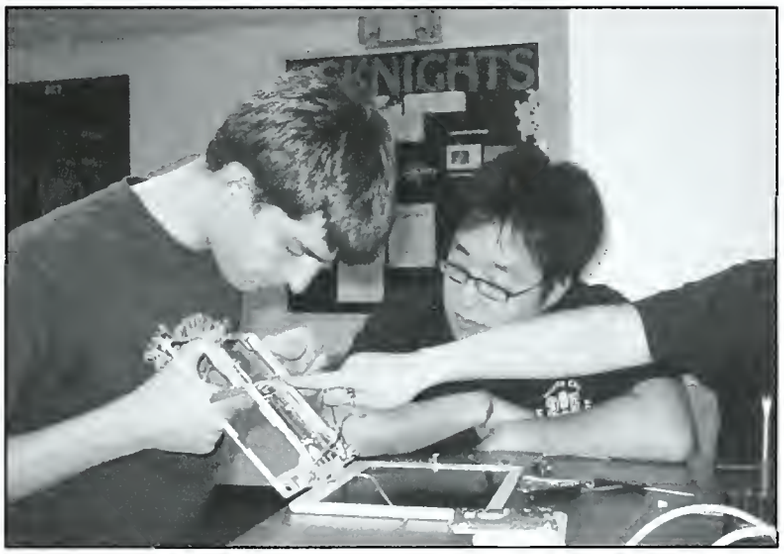
Daniel Berger	Fr., Manchester, MO
Raymond Bower	Jr., Julian, NC
Jon Carmicheal	Fr., Brazil, IN
Christopher Coleman	So., Orlando, FL
Daniel Drazba	Fr., Arlington Heights, IL
Parker Haaga	So., Sandusky, OH
Luke Hattendorf	Fr., South Elgin, IL
Stephen Hensel	Fr., Grantham, PA
Timothy Leach	Fr., Fraser, MI
Nathan McNeel	Fr., Norwood, OH
Robert Miller	Jr., Avon, IN
Thomas Nicol	Fr., Urbana, IL
Zachary Pietrini	Fr., Arlington Heights, IL
Michael Rogers	So., Belton, MO
David Rohrer	Fr., Columbus, OH
Brandon Sanford	Fr., Avon, CT
Blake Stratton	Fr., Batavia, IL
Matthew Suer	So., Muncie, IN
Andrew Ulasich	Jr., Minnetonka, MN
Philip Vandermeer	Fr., New Richmond, IN
Michael Wolford	So., Buena Vista, CO
William Yu	Jr., Evansville, IN

Fall break. The lucky many took their first vacation of the year, while the few poor souls who had to stay on campus, twiddled our thumbs through the weekend. In the absence of homework, movies and video games reigned supreme. I was busy conquering the desert world of Arrakis and mining its precious spice when I heard a noise in the doorway. Leaning back in my chair, I caught a fleeting glimpse of something vanishing into the hallway. I paused the game, and looked again. Nothing. Suddenly, a ninja ran by outside. Well. A ninja. In Wengatz. Interesting place. I decided that, given the fact that there was nothing else to do, and it was a ninja, this was not a situation to be ignored. Arming myself with a brace of carefully constructed cardboard and duct tape firearms, I cautiously approached the doorway. The main hallway was clear. A few steps to the right revealed the center hall and three ninjas. We stood there and looked at each other for a minute. They muttered to each other in Japanese, then turned and bowed. It seemed a sign of good will, so I let them go. Two minutes later, they killed Wolfie.

This could not go unanswered. Rodgers joined the miraculously recovered Wolfie and me, we armed ourselves with my handguns and their rubber band rifles, and the ninja hunt began. We stalked them through each floor, rooting out every hiding place, and chased them down. It all finally ended in the dim corridors of First East. Wolfie's tragic demise was avenged. And we decided being ninjas sounded pretty cool, so we joined them.

If going to college in Upland teaches us anything, it's how to make our own fun. Arrakis can mine its own spice.

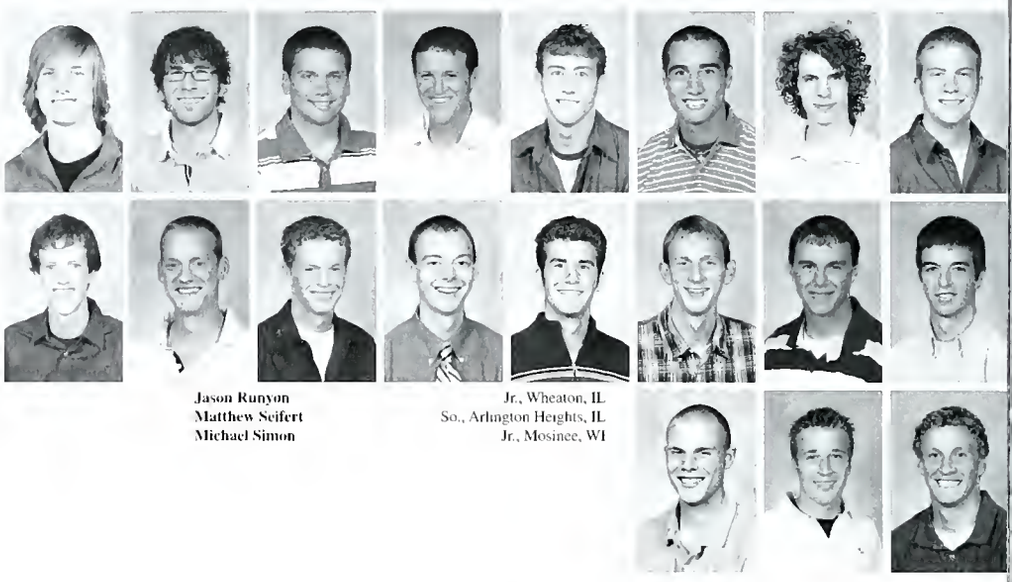
Story by Thomas Nicol



Danny Berger and William Yu work together to take apart and reconstruct a broken laptop.

2nd EAST WENGATZ

Taylor Barkley	Fr., Mission Viejo, CA
Noel Birkey	Jr., Oak Park, IL
Nicholas Boyers	So., Archbold, OH
Gregory Branda	So., Crown Point, IN
Jason Burkey	Jr., West Chicago, IL
Jorge Burmicky	So., Greentown, IN
Alexander Frank	Jr., Berne, IN
Michael Goodrich	So., North Webster, IN
Josiah Hatfield	Fr., Brighton, MI
Jason Hubbell	So., Wheaton, IL
Stephan Leman	Jr., Batavia, IL
Brent Maher	Jr., Clover, SC
Andrew Miller	So., Angola, IN
Joshua Porter	Jr., Bedford, IN
John Robles	Fr., Fort Wayne, IN
Jacob Rufenacht	So., Wauseon, OH
Jason Runyon	Jr., Wheaton, IL
Matthew Seifert	So., Arlington Heights, IL
Michael Simon	Jr., Mosinee, WI





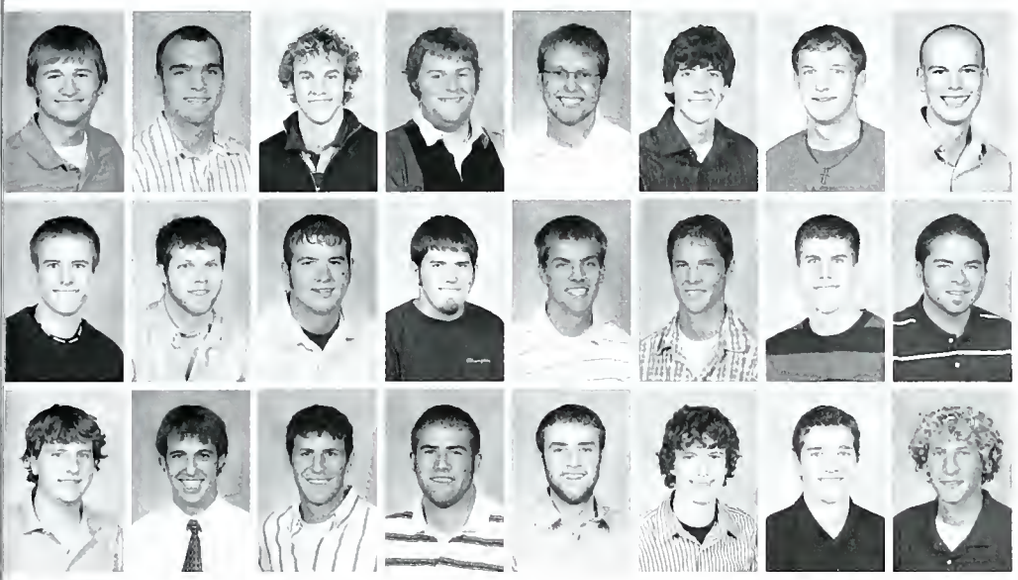
The 2nd East men after the 2EZ Dairy Challenge (from left to right) front row: Eric Miller, Jorge Burmicky, Tom Smillie, Stephan Leman, Jason Burkey, Brent Maher, second row: Michael Goodrich, Nathan Sprunger, Phil Taber, Mike Simon, Matt Seifert, Josiah Hatfield, Andrew Lossau, Jacob Rufenacht, Greg Branda, third row: Justin Zimmerman, Noel Birkey, Matt Reno, Andrew Smiley, John Shambaugh, JP Robles, Alex Frank.

Another year has flown by on Second East Wengatz, and what a year it was. Full of traditions, both new and old, the wing participated in the usual Ice Box and Music open houses, camping at Turkey Run, and the ever popular Dairy Challenge, along with the development of Sandlot Sundays and "2EZ Le Club". It was also a year of triumph as second east was able to break their intramural curse and finally bring home the gold. The wing was well diversified with the number of freshmen lower then the number of seniors and the usual melting pot of choir boys, athletes, artists, and every other major possible.

As the wing progressed it brought many opportunities for the wing to grow. It was through that growth that special bonds and wing unity was built. Existing relationships grew deeper and new relationships were made as the wing began to live out and bring truth to our motto of: Second East is for Lovers. It is by showing love to one another that we grew closer to each other and closer to our Savior. The events of the year, as great as they were, will pass from our memories in time, but the relationships we formed will travel with us as we go on from this place that we call "home."

Story by Stephan Leman

3rd WEST WENGATZ



Christopher Anderson	Fr., Bremen, IN
Ryan Anderson	So., Grand Rapids, MI
Nathan Antiel	Fr., Coon Rapids, MN
Nathan Baggett	So., Rolling Meadows, IL
James Baker	So., Saint Louis, MO
David Blechl	Fr., Granger, IN
Travis Camp	Fr., Wilmington, OH
Timothy Conrad	So., Berne, IN
David Downey	So., Vernon Hills, IL
Ryan Geertsma	Jr., Randolph, WI
Jared Harkins	Fr., Street, MD
Ty Hayden	So., Greenwood, IN
Kyle Holloway	Fr., Upland, IN
Jonathon Hughes	Fr., Peoria, AZ
Kyle Lantz	Jr., Milford, IN
Joshua Linderman	Jr., Conifer, CO
Sean Moriarty	Jr., Ballston Lake, NY
Joe Patton	So., Topeka, KS
Benjamin Petroelje	So., Elmhurst, IL
Joseph Powers	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Kristopher Salsbery	Jr., Sharpsville, IN
Timothy Sutherland	So., Upland, IN
Timothy Taylor	Jr., Mattawan, MI
Nathan Teldt	Fr., Mequon, WI

The mark of a Christian is love. In John 13:35, Jesus says to his disciples, "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." There were many ways one could observe and identify Jesus' disciples. First of all, they were the ragtag bunch following closely behind Jesus. They were often seen and heard preaching the gospel and performing miracles in the name of Jesus. But it was not, according to Jesus, their physical proximity to Christ, preaching, or miracles that set them apart. Above all, it was their love for people and their Rabbi that set them apart.

Like Jesus' disciples, the men of Third West Wengatz are identified in many different ways. During Wild West Week each October, they are either seen desperately running with, or ever so paranoid from, the seemingly indelible melon or gourd. At Octoberfest, they are the ones standing in admiration by their dates, who are pointing shotguns down the throats of their creatively carved pumpkins. They are seen sporting championship t-shirts as men with notable athletic prominence in intramurals.

As a group of imperfect men striving toward godliness, they are found in the back of the chapel with hands and voices raised in worship of their Creator. But it is not the melon, shotguns, gourd, athleticism, cute Octoberfest dates, or longstanding traditions that set apart the men of Third West. For just as Christians are identified by their love, so a Third Wester is marked by his devoted love for God and people.

Story by Ryan Anderson



Third West Wengatz sports many different looks, from camis to cow suits. The men of 3WW strive together to make a difference for Jesus, but they aren't afraid to have fun.

3rd CENTER WENGATZ

Matthew Benedetto	Jr., Wheeling, IL
Travis Booth	Fr., Indianapolis, IN
Bradley Bowe	Jr., Arlington Heights, IL
Cameron Brennan	So., Grosse Pointe Woods, MI
Todd Buerstatte	Jr., Libertyville, IL
Jeffrey Butcher	Fr., Greenwood, IN
David Compson	Fr., Warsaw, IN
Michael Crilly	Fr., Arlington Hts, IL
Joshua Damron	Jr., Santa Rosa, CA
Jeffrey Goodman	Fr., Warrenville, IL
Neil Long	Fr., Needham, IN
Tyler Luther	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Brent Mueller	So., Arlington Heights, IL
Kevin Nielsen	So., Wheaton, IL
Jacob Slater	So., Coon Rapids, MN
Andrew Smith	So., Arlington Heights, IL
Jared Sorensen	Fr., Sussex, NJ
Derek Weller	Jr., Burnsville, MN



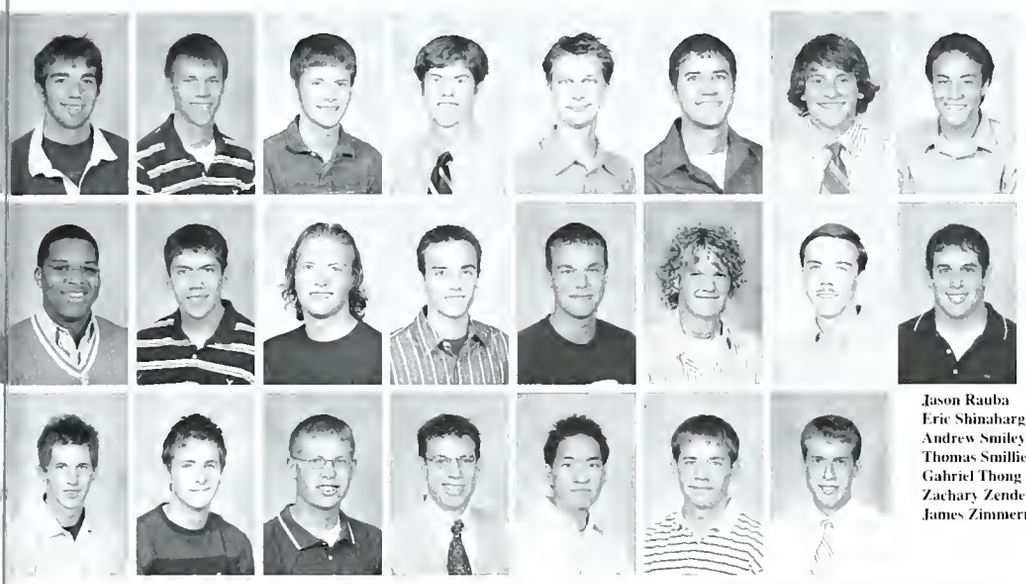
This year on Third Center, our wing hook up (Jerry Nelson) really provided sweet hook-ups. Our favorite one was the annual gun ralley event, hosted by Professor Mick Bates and Jerry Nelson. Professor Bates, along with other Taylor Facutly such as Steve Morely, Jake Drake, Shaun Casbarro, and Dr. Richard Smith came out and participated in the event, as well as provided the guns and safety supervision. It was a great chance for the guys on the wing to go out and do something fun together. We were able to interact in a different environment, and it enabled us to unify the wing more. It was also a great opportunity for us to learn gun safety in a controlled environment.

We began the event by shooting handguns at some targets that Professor Bates had set up. After everyone had a chance to shoot, we ate a pretty amazing lunch provided by Jerry Nelson, who is quite possibly the sweetest wing-hook-up ever. After lunch, we went out and shot clay pigeons with shotguns. Friends, food, guns...what more could a wing of guys ask for? It was sweet.
Story by Stephen Abernathy



At the beginning of the year, before the homework load over takes the wing, 3rd Center regroups after a hard-core game of capture the flag. The warm September night was perfect for the game that took place in the usual spot-between Bergwall and the DC.

3rd EAST WENGATZ



Scott Barrett	Jr., Vernon Hills, IL
Daniel Blocher	Jr., North Manchester, IN
Sean Breen	So., St Joseph, MI
Matthew Bruhaker	Jr., Chambersburg, PA
Graham Burns	Fr., Bartlett, IL
Jonathan Chacko	Jr., Fulton, IL
Grant Chapman	So., Newburgh, IN
Alexander Esclamado	Fr., Solon, OH
Colby Hadley	So., Elkhart, IN
Kevin Halloran	Fr., Mount Prospect, IL
Ian Kee	Fr., Waukesha, WI
Jason Ladley	So., Oxford, PA
Seth Lehman	Fr., Leo, IN
Randall McClain	Fr., Villa Park, IL
Jeffrey Mudge	Fr., Mattawa, WA
Paul Passiales	Fr., Wheaton, IL
Jason Rauba	So., Moline, IL
Eric Shinaharger	Fr., Auburn, IN
Andrew Smiley	Jr., Noblesville, IN
Thomas Smillie	So., Lombard, IL
Gabriel Thong	Fr., Singapore 529893,
Zachary Zender	Jr., Loveland, OH
James Zimmerman	So., Wauseon, OH

This year, Third East lost a remarkable man of God, Brad Larson. After his death our wing was drawn together to serve Jesus Christ. The next day everyone packed like sardines into our wing's study lounge and shared stories of who Brad was and what he lived for. Brad Larson had lived every moment of life for Jesus Christ. He was intentional and passionate about everything he did, and he was ultimately only concerned with what mattered. As the day proceeded, it was filled with tears and silent conversations.

Then Third East experienced complete transformation through a trip to Burger King and a game of ultimate frisbee. At Burger King, people became genuinely interested in each other as brothers in Jesus Christ because we realized that we would not have all the time in the world to get to know the people around us, and if we didn't put out the effort to know people, we could pass through life being completely ineffective.

Having been previously separated by petty issues, the men of Third East were unified in the ultimate purpose of Jesus Christ, and we experienced a community that offered safety, comfort, and understanding, that had not been known before. Through the game of Frisbee, we got to show the rest of the campus that we cared for each other and now had the full intention to celebrate life together constantly, and that is where our story has brought us all.

Story by Alex Esclamado



All dressed up, the men of 3rd East wait for their dates in the stairwell. The formal pick-a-date was a huge success, and most of them even lasted the whole night with a tie on.

OFF CAMPUS

David Bertsche Jr., Morton, IL
Alexander Bozzo Jr., Stony Brook, NY
Jennifer Brunk Jr., Redmond, WA
Autumn Cox Jr., Hanover, IN
Margery Davis Jr., Chesterfield, MO
Jennifer Degeyter Jr., Melbourne, FL
Jonathan Dingeldein Jr., Upland, IN
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Bonnie Green Jr., Fishers, IN
Jill Hamilton Jr., Louisville, KY
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Laura Hubert Jr., Evansville, IN
Michelle Michael So., Hartford City, IN
Kara Moore Jr., Warren, IN
Jason North Fr., Marion, IN



Timothy Suen Jr., Itasca, IL
Lydia Verhagen Jr., Cincinnati, OH
Keren White Fr., Upland, IN

Enjoying the relaxing weekend, a group of off campus students get together at the house of Bombdiggity. Having houses and apartments off campus provided many places that were conducive to hanging out.



Screams echoing down the hall at four in the morning, hair clogs the showers, awkward boys peeping into your room during open house, and the joy of setting up and tearing down lofts are now only memories of the past. This year created sweeter memories for a group of seniors by living off-campus and we have experienced new aspects of the Taylor community.

As a house, we enjoyed various parties which included spicy chili in a packed room to watch the super bowl, "bring your own meat" cookouts, various bridal showers and weekly house dinners. Monday nights were always intense as various people from around campus gathered at our house to watch Jack Bower in the action pact series of "24."

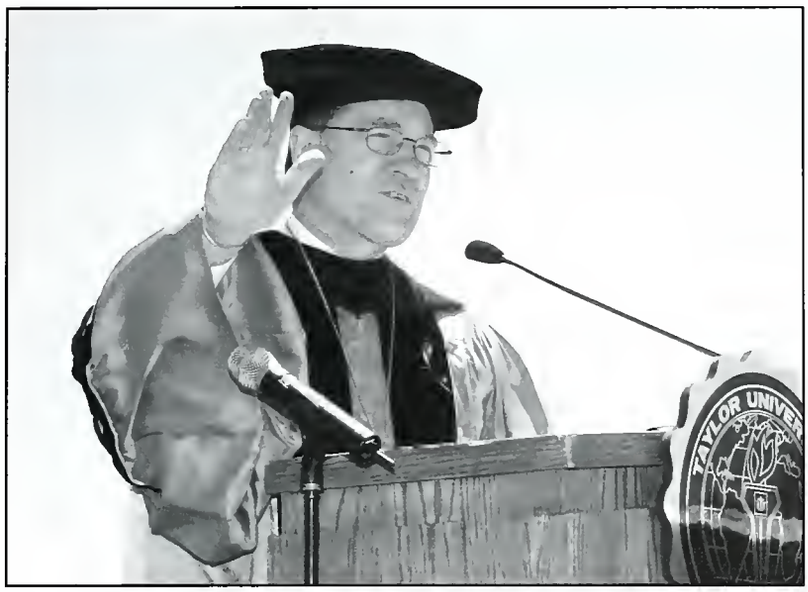
We also discovered that this new aspect of Taylor community entailed arguments over the temperature of the house, quiet hours during nap time, and cooking and cleaning responsibilities. But those darker moments were pushed aside with late night conversations that included cuddling on the couch with a mug of coffee and your favorite blanket. Our study room was used more often for laughing and talking about Taylor drama than our homework.

By living off campus we have developed closer relationships than we ever thought possible. Going into this year we knew that there were strong personalities and different living habits, but sharing the duties of a house compounded those differences. As we saw one another's raw person over time, we developed a love and appreciation that had not existed before.

We are excited for the future and the individual journeys the Lord has planned for us, and through our senior year we have developed a bond that will not be broken. Cell phones, plane tickets, and email will keep us in contact as we move farther apart to follow our dreams, but the memories we have built will last a lifetime.

Story by Trista Hartman and Julia Snyder

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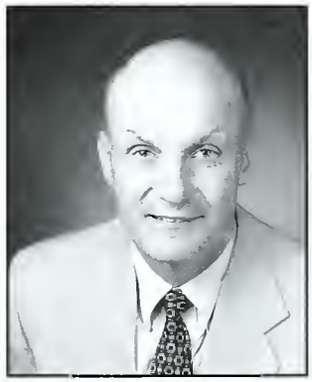
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The Grille

Dar Fieberg ('06), Jackie Jackson, Penny Milholland, Susan Malone

Not pictured: Cindy McWhirt, Nate Jones ('06)

Photo by Alisse Goldsmith



In Memory of Monica Felver . . .

Monica Felver, a beloved Creative Dining employee was in a fatal accident on Interstate 69 April 26. Students remembered her as personable, funny and amiable. Many said they went through Monica's line to simply be encouraged by her.

Photo by Amy Wood



Print Shop

Bob Beal, Esther Nelson, Sharon Hopkins, Roger Judd, Dan Jordan, John Inskeep

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Haakonsen Health Center

Kelly Taylor, Linda Bennett, Maxine Heighs, Lynne Wicker (nurse practitioner), Paula Bateau

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Thanking God for their survival . . .

Vickie Rhodes and Connie Magers were injured in the accident on Interstate 69 on April 26 that took the lives of four students and one employee of Creative Dining.

Photo by Ashley Haag



Housekeeping

Diana Banter, Garry Barker, Stacey Gillenwater, Linda Black, Elizabeth Brown, Mildred Butler, Vicki Byers, Rachel Calvin, Julie Cason, Carol Chalfant, Andrea Conn, Joyce Davis, Karen DeWitt, Greg Eley, Laura Finch, Jo Goodpaster, David Gray, Paula Janett, Joyce Jeffrey, Gracie Kirby, Charlie Knoler, Teresa May, Amy Nose, Kellie Pace, Brandy Pierson, Roy Reger, Fred Richardson, Barbara Rider, Roger Saylor, Bobby Jo Sells, Linda Sheets, Julie Sroufe, Bill Stoops, Kevin Trees, Robin Webster

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TAYLOR STAFF



Laurel E. Erb, St. Charles, Illinois
Junior, Art major

We all meet people throughout the course of our lives who make such deep impressions on us that they are impossible to forget. Laurel Erb was one of those people. Her eyes would sparkle as she would talk about the people she loved, or explain an art project on which she was currently working.

I will never forget the night Laurel, Abby, Liz and I visited the house we would be living in our senior year. The minute we walked in the door Laurel began coming up with color schemes and layout plans. Her artistic eye took in the scope of each room and you could tell she could see the finished product in her mind.

Her attention to detail flowed into her relationships with others. Laurel was always willing to give of her time. When I think of Laurel, I see a person ever ready to offer cheerful service and genuine concern. She possessed a magnetic personality and was always a joy to be around – whether we were discussing our favorite music late at night or talking together on our way to class.

I will miss her welcoming smile and quiet way of drawing me into stimulating conversation. Laurel was a person with whom you could be completely yourself. I do not believe I will ever meet another person on this earth like Laurel. She was truly a unique and priceless individual, and I cannot wait to see her again. –Leslie Leak

There were some words that Brad owned. Or at least his life seemed to define them. Everyone has his own specific memories of Brad's sense of humor and contagious personality, but there are a couple universals that everyone seems to share about him.

Brad was filled with integrity. The night we indulged in "true confessions" just confirmed that in all of our minds. He lived a life to glorify the Lord, but was also ever confident in the gift of grace.

There just aren't many people more compassionate than Brad. Always extra sensitive to the feelings and emotions of others, Brad would go out of his way to show concern to anyone hurting or in need. Whether it was his vow to not talk badly about others, his encouraging words in daily encounters, or the fact that he would always celebrate with us in the joys of life, Brad loved others.

Brad was an intellectual. An avid Jeopardy watcher (and player) Brad thrived on deep, and often argumentative, conversations. His wit was impeccable, and he was always learning.

Brad's humor was unmatched. We were always excited when his name popped up in our email because we knew that the reminder about intramural softball (or whatever the reason) would be filled with humor, puns, big words, and signed "Unflinchingly yours, Bradley J. Larson." It was impossible to avoid laughing when we were in his presence.

Above all, Brad loved the Lord. Always in the Word, he lived a life that exemplified his zeal for his God. He lived his life with passion and purpose; he will always be missed. –Rachel Clemens



Bradley J. Larson, Elm Grove, Wisconsin, Senior, History major; Philosophy minor

In Memory . . .

Elizabeth A. Smith, Mt. Zion, Illinois
Senior, Exercise Science major; Psychology minor



I keep on waiting for the day when the front door of my off-campus house will swing open and a beautiful blonde and overly tan girl will bounce in exclaiming, "Holla, atch yo' boy" or "Oh my gosh, I'm so excited right now. What is going on?"

How could pictures of the Hayes House girls (the name of our off-campus house) go from seven to six in just nine months? It was not supposed to be this way. But, the fatal accident changed all that.

Betsy was overly involved in all areas of life. She was an exercise science major, psychology minor and held a high GPA and leadership scholarships. Betsy had been a personnel assistant of Fourth Bergwall during her junior year at Taylor. She was the co-director of Real Life, an inner city ministry in Marion, Indiana. She was the co-director of Lighthouse, a short term mission program. She was a banquet manager. Betsy worked heavily with Acting on Aids and played an important role with diversity strategies on campus. Betsy had just made arrangements to work in Marion with community development after graduation.

Betsy was much more than a list of accomplishments on a sheet of paper. She was my loyal friend who truly cared. Her mother, Jeanie Smith, put it best when she said, "The story of Betsy's life must include the value she placed on relationships. She loved her family, her friends from every phase of her life, and even acquaintances, with the deep abiding love of Christ. She always thought the best of each person, prayed for God's best for each person, and never gave up on anyone. She was an encourager like no other."

That is the Betsy I miss.

The struggle and acceptance of death is real. It is helpful to reflect, question and process the experience. I know Bets will never walk through our door again, but she has walked through the gates of heaven. I truly believe and find comfort knowing that I will see Betsy face to face in heaven one day. –Jess Cuthbert



Laura Jean VanRyn, Grand Rapids, Michigan
Senior, Communication Studies major, PR minor

Often times we don't realize what we have until it's gone. Fortunately for those of us who called her "friend," this was not the case with Laura Jean VanRyn. We did know what we had with Laura because it was evident in every conversation and every interaction with this amazing woman of God.

Those of us who had the privilege to know Laura over the past four years at Taylor have truly been blessed to have her in our lives. It was almost impossible to be in a room with Laura without laughing at her comments or the fact that she could never stop moving. Her bubbly personality and friendliness made you want to be around her. Laura's humor and energy were infectious.

Looking back I truly cherish the time I spent with Laura. Through classes, the lacrosse team and our many evening runs through Upland, I was constantly encouraged and uplifted by Laura. She truly put her all into relationships as she did with everything else in her life. I cannot count the times she showed up early or stayed late at lacrosse practice or time amount of times we met in the Well or the gym to put a little extra conditioning. She spent hours in the journalism lab or the library working on projects such as her senior paper.

I can only hope to one day become the type of genuine person that Laura was. Though she is no longer with us, I have no doubt that her life will continue to bless my own as well as everyone else who knew her. We miss you Laurie Jean. – Kerry Porter

DESTINATIONS





This year has changed many lives. Because of a tragic accident on April 26, 2006, many who were about to graduate began to ponder their lives and determine whether or not the place they were headed was really the place they wanted to be. The lives of Laurel Erb, Brad Larson, Betsy Smith and Laura VanRyn will forever be etched in our memories as examples to follow . . . and that just might mean restructuring our lives to determine where we can have the most impact to continue the legacy of those who have passed away.

People from all walks of life came together during this difficult journey. When Whitney Cerak, a freshman who survived the accident, was mistaken for Laura VanRyn at the scene, authorities pronounced the wrong person as deceased. The discovery of this mistaken identity five weeks later brought attention from all over the world.

Thankfully, this attention has allowed the Taylor community to share its faith and to convince others that what really matters in life is not what happens today or tomorrow . . . but simply that we're living our lives for Christ, and that is what determines our ultimate destination.

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